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Notes from Katherine

Happy Holidays to all! Filing of all final drafts of Bills the Legislators wish to become Missouri law has started on Dec. 1 and will continue through March 1. I am hoping more members will be curious enough to read these Bills on their own, and can be found on either website: senate.mo.gov OR house.mo.gov. This will obvious take time to go through both the Senate and House lists, but will send out updates as questionable Bills are found that we, as motorcyclists of Missouri, need to be concerned about. Bills that FORR will try to get on the calendar for the 1st Regular Session of the 96th Session: Currently, we have Representative David Day and Senator Elect Dan Brown (agreeing) to sponsor Helmet Bill. This is great news, as this means we have our Helmet Bill in both "houses", so to speak. Representative-elect Kurt Bahr has (tentatively) agreed to handle the "GPS and Mileage Tax Bill", although he would like time to read last year's language before he commits. Matt has emailed him last year's language to his personal account, as he does not yet have an office in the Capitol, nor does any other freshman Rep or Senator. Having trouble finding support for our "Registration Fee Bill" (extra/alternate \$\$ for Drivers' Ed. back in school) because of the "constitutionality" In lieu of this bill, we could have a bill which imposes a \$1 or \$2 fee on traffic violations etc. similar to one that is used to fund the Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund and is NOT unconstitutional. (see below)

302.137. Motorcycle safety trust fund established, purpose—operators of motorcycles or motortricycles in violation of laws or ordinances to be assessed surcharge, collection, distribution.—

1. There is hereby created in the state treasury for use by the department of public safety a fund to be known as the "Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund". All judgments collected pursuant to this section, appropriations of the general assembly, federal grants, private donations and any other moneys designated for the motorcycle safety education program established pursuant to sections 302.133 to 302.138 shall be deposited in the fund. Moneys deposited in the fund shall, upon appropriation by the general assembly to the department of public safety, be received and expended by the department of public safety for the purpose of funding the motorcycle safety education program established under sections 302.133 to 302.138. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, to the contrary, any unexpended balance in the motorcycle safety trust fund at the end of any biennium shall not be transferred to the general revenue fund.

2. In all criminal cases, including violations of any county ordinance or any violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including an infraction, there shall be assessed as costs a surcharge in the amount of one dollar. No such surcharge shall be collected in any proceeding involving a violation of an ordinance or state law when the proceeding or defendant has been dismissed by the court or when costs are to be paid by the state, county or municipality.

3. Such surcharge shall be collected and distributed by the clerk of the court as provided in sections 488.010 to 488.020, RSMo. The surcharge collected pursuant to this section shall be paid to the state treasury to the credit of the motorcycle safety trust fund established in this section.

This is an idea and only an idea. I think we would see opposition from the (current) Motorcycle Trust Fund, as well as MODOt and the Highway Patrol, as they will want the extra \$1 or \$2 for their own projects. We will, also, be working on talking points on these Bills, in addition to our Helmet Fact Pack, so members will be more confident approaching their Legislators, knowing what you are asking from them (the Sen.'s & Rep.'s).

Dates of interest: Jan 5th - Session begins; Jan 17th - MLK, Jr. Day-closed; Mar 1 - Last Day to file Senate Bills; Mar 10-21 - House Spring Break; Mar 15, - Last Day to report Senate Consent Bills from Committee; Mar 17-28 - Senate Spring Break; Apr 25-26 - Easter Break; May 6 - Appropriation Bills Truly Agreed to & Finally Passed - May 13 - Session ends, 6 pm

Remember, to make appointments to meet with your House Rep and your Senator. Please be vigilant in making their acquaintance and encouraging them to support our Bills! Friends help move...true friends help move bodies...scary to think what we could realistically do if we all actually worked together...

Respectfully submitted,
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P.S: Just heard some news that I perceive to be great...Sarah Steelman will be running against Ol' Claire (Sen. Claire McCaskill) in 2012 Elections.

Letter to the Editor

Reflections on the F.E.W.

I look forward to the F.E.W. Seminar, I always have. It's fair to say that I even looked forward to the first one. I will admit that I was a bit apprehensive, but I knew for certain that if J.R. was involved it was going to be informative, entertaining, interesting, and it was going to be fun.

This was the fourth year for the F.E.W. and I am happy to say that due to J.R. and Kathy's hard work none of that has changed. Don't get me wrong, they do have some help, but I think it is fair to say that they are the engine on that Freedom train.

This year meant more to me personally, and that where the reflection process came in. (By the way there is no better place to reflect on things than sitting in a oak tree with a high-powered rifle on a nice fall day).

Listening to J.R.'s opening address with the letter from the Revolutionary War veteran had my full attention and started getting the juices flowing, but when he came to the point that he was leading up to, the recipient of The "Buck Stops Here" Award, that put me into a unexpected Nyquil state of mind. It was surreal. A bona fide out-of-body experience. I was humbled.

After settling in back at the table with members of our local, Lisa asked me where was I going to put it. Borrowing something from Scarlet O'Hara, I muttered "I can't think about that now, I'll think about that tomorrow, on the way home". That is when I realized that it was going to take some time to fully grasp the gravity of the honor that was bestowed on me.

I have since framed the certificate from the Governor and the certificate from Senator Kurt Schaefer and the three have a prominent place in my office (that's what I tell the I.R.S. it is anyway) along with some of my other "treasures". The deep frame for the flag has a bonus feature, it makes a great place for the ducks to sit.

Kathy and J.R. have announced that they will be turning the F.E.W. Seminar over to the corporate officers. As of now, I do not what will become of it. I personally would like to see it continue and grow into something that everyone would look forward to. We have the blueprint and the ground work has been laid, all that is needed is some help. Anyone that is interested in making this happen in 2011 is asked to contact any of the corporate officers.

In closing, thank you J.R., thank you Kathy for presenting this organization with something that we can all use.

Sincerely,
Martin King
Vice Chairman
Freedom of Road Riders
Local 16
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Central Committee Meeting #186

November 14, 2010

Freedom of Road Riders®, Inc. Central Committee Meeting was held on Sunday, November 14, 2010 at the Truman Hotel, Jefferson City, MO. Cabinet officers present were Chairman, Mark Chapman, Vice-Chairman, Martin King, Corporate Secretary, Kathy Garver, Interim Treasurer Dallas Chapman, Legislative Coordinator Katherine Cashell, Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator Deanna Norris, Rider Education Coordinator Doug Clawson.

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

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

Location	Local #		Membership	Votes		CC Representative
Lee's Summit	Local	01	69	1	Vote	ABSENT
Jacks Fork – Summerville	Local	04	16	1	Vote	ABSENT
South Kansas City	Local	05	67	1	Vote	Steve Hanzek
St. Joseph	Local	06	118	2	Vote	Darrell Coy
Lebanon	Local	07	50	1	Vote	Charlie Pilcher
Chillicothe	Local	08	153	2	Vote	Layne Shady
Jefferson City	Local	10	148	2	Vote	Bill Kempker
Joplin	Local	11	75	1	Vote	Mark Capps
Glasgow	Local	12	49	1	Vote	David Kateman
Mexico	Local	13	97	1	Vote	Doug Clawson
Independence	Local	14	26	1	Vote	Joe Widmer
Branson	Local	15	261	3	Vote	Skyler McWilliams
Cape Girardeau	Local	16	97	1	Vote	Doug Pfeiffer
Springfield	Local	18	29	1	Vote	JR DeGraffenreid
Kirkville	Local	19	140	2	Vote	Derek Fowler
Dexter	Local	20	42	1	Vote	Sherri Whitehad
Eldon	Local	21	20	1	Vote	Tom Shauck
Lincoln County	Local	23	41	1	Vote*	ABSENT
St. Louis	Local	24	46	1	Vote	Steve Comeau
St. Peters	Local	25	51	1	Vote	Wayne Tipton
Maryville	Local	26	67	1	Vote	Roy Brown
Sac-Osage	Local	27	53	1	Vote	Ty Cashell
Waynesville	Local	28	235	3	Vote	Brian Brewer
North Kansas City	Local	29	91	1	Vote	Ursula Richard
Nixa	Local	30	69	1	Vote	Randall Owens
Rolla	Local	31	31	1	Vote	Debra John
Highway 50 West	Local	33	115	2	Vote	Sam King
Golden Valley	Local	35	33	1	Vote	Bob Hawkins
Cameron Crossroads	Local	41	34	1	Vote	Ann Dodson
Franklin County	Local	42	86	1	Vote	David Haley
Greater K.C.	Local	46	31	1	Vote	Gary Maddox
Members at Large	Local	00	74	0	Vote	
Total			2514			November 1, 2010
Corporate Sponsors			10	0	Vote	

*Votes suspended by order of Central Committee January 11, 1998, until financial records are complete with the Treasurer. # Vote suspended due to District/ Special Event financial records.

**Votes suspended by order of Central Committee November 2001, until insurance/event records are complete with the Insurance/Events Coordinator.

Secretary - Kathy Garver - Roll call of locals. Motion by Local 41, 2nd Local 24, to approve the minutes of the September meeting as published, motion carries by voice vote unanimously. Secretary Garver stated that the minutes are sent out via email or U.S. mail to all CC reps as soon as they are finished. She will not send raw minutes out to anyone so please do not ask. CC Reps need to take their own notes as this is the best way to know if there is an error in the minutes.

Membership report – 57 new memberships and 244 renewal memberships processed September and October. Total membership as of November 1, 2010 2,514. Decrease of 62 members since the last report. CC reps asked to talk about the reasons for the continued membership decline with their local so that

any problem areas can be addressed.

Treasurer - Dallas Chapman - General fund beginning balance \$9,927.21, ending balance \$9,825.48, PAC beginning balance \$34,369.42, ending balance \$21,739.22, Rider Ed beginning balance \$6,755.00 ending balance \$6,280.87, Homecoming beginning balance \$9,265.63, ending balance \$20,979.07, Freedom Park \$4,075.05, Give a Way \$4,000.00

Homecoming recap – Total income \$33,678.31, expenses \$22,699.24, profit \$10,979.07. Donation to PAC account \$10,979.07.

In order for a local to receive supporter pins the local must meet their state contribution prior to November 30, 2010. Donations are considered from December 1st through November 30th of each year. Yearly donations are based upon what your local membership was on November 1st.

Donations – Local 26 \$50, Local 11 \$1,125.00 General Fund, Local 16 \$500 FEW and \$500 Rider Ed, Local 15 \$1,000.00 Freedom Park

Interim Treasurer Chapman reported donations to the PAC fund have been good for the past few years. However in order to transfer funds from PAC to General, the treasurer must make a request of the PAC committee and sometimes that takes several days to get accomplished. When making donations locals are requested to review the financial reports and see where the money may be most needed.

Anyone wanting information on the legislative campaign donations please send an email to Treasurer@Forr.net and a full report will be sent out.

Vice Chairman – Martin King. Dallas Chapman stepped up and fulfilled the treasurer's position again when Susan was forced to step down due to health reasons. We are looking for someone to fulfill this position but since we are in between election cycles not sure this will happen. The corporate officers are looking at ways to streamline the treasurer's job duties by moving some of the day to day financial tasks such as bill paying, etc. to the general office. This attempt to streamline the treasurer's job would in no way do away with the corporate treasurer position; it would only make the job easier for someone to handle on a volunteer basis. The corporate treasurer would be in a supervisory position concerning the day to day tasks handled by the general office. The corporate treasurer position requires you to have been either a local, district or special events treasurer for 1 year without any problems. Motion by Local 24 that we retain Dallas Chapman as the corporate treasurer until the end of this term unless someone comes forward who is willing to fulfill the position, 2nd local 42, motion carries by voice vote with two opposed. We really need to locate someone who is willing to fulfill this position as this is the prime time for a new individual to train for the job. If anyone is interested in fulfilling this need for the organization, please contact Treasurer Chapman.

Secretary Garver stated we currently have a policy in place that the corporate treasurer and secretary each receive a \$100 per month stipend. When the changes are made to the treasurer's job we may want to consider doing away with this stipend. We may also want to consider doing away with the secretary stipend because this was put into effect when the corporate secretary also handled membership responsibilities.

Engineer of Freedom awards presented to Mindy Reif, Local 20 and Don Brown, Local 7. Thanks to all the locals that submitted nominations.

Homecoming - We are talking with the Shriner's about a new contract. Right now it looks like we will probably be looking at a 3 year contract. Randy Owens with Local 30 has stepped up to volunteer to be the vendor coordinator for next year's event. Work schedule will be out in January. It will be the responsibility of the CC reps to fill these work positions. Reps need to ask their local members if there is a reason why they do not attend the event and bring this information back so the committee can address problem areas if possible. Also if locals know in advance they will not be able to fulfill their work obligations please let the corporate officers know in advance. REACT will not be there next year unless something changes. Active military personnel will be given a discount at next year's event. The next committee meeting will be the Saturday prior to the January CC meeting at 3 p.m. and is open to any member of FORR. Last year the attendance at the committee meetings were down. The event is planned and run by those that show up at the committee meetings. See the meeting agenda published in the Freedom Press for the date and time of all committee meetings.

BUFR Run – Georgia Haley reported she has not heard anything from Tony Shepherd about any meetings being scheduled. Georgia said she is going to take the ball and run with it since ABATE has not done anything on the event.

Legislative - Katherineine Cashell. Bill prefilng begins December 1st and runs through March. We will have our preliminary legislative agenda ready for the January meeting. We need to start working smarter not harder. Matt Hill has prepared a draft of a bill designed to get driver's education back into the schools. Matt is our government relations specialist and worked very hard for FORR last year. Last year we managed to knock down several sneaky bills that they tried to get through as a result of everyone's hard work on our issues. Matt's contract is up and Legislative Coordinator Cashell stated she would like the CC to authorize the renewal of his contract. Motion by Local 41, 2nd by Local 35 for us to renew Matt's contract as our government relations specialist, motion carries unanimously by voice vote. The terms of the contract remain the same. It will be a 12 month contract at \$1,000 per month. Legislative Coordinator Cashell asked to make sure the membership is kept better informed of our legislative activities and to make sure that the membership understands that she is receiving regular reports from Matt. Chairman Chapman will handle execution of the contract with Mr. Hill.

Legislative Coordinator Cashell reminded everyone that we are a state motorcycle rights organization and our primary focus is what takes place in the state of Missouri. However, we also need to be involved on issues that take place at the national level through the AMA and MRF.

There were a limited number of people that came to the capitol last year for capitol crusaders days. As a result she is considering doing away with scheduled days next year and allowing people to come as their own personal schedule allows. Matt and Coordinator Cashell will continue to be at the capitol frequently but it is very important for the reps/senators to be personally contacted by their own constituents. The best time to reach legislators is Tuesday through Thursday. District 4 brought a charter bus to the capitol. Coordinator Cashell was at the capitol this year on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Lane Shady was there on Thursdays. JR DeGraffenreid asked about March 9th or March 16th for the District 4 bus trip. Suggestion made that if someone wants to come to the capitol to contact Coordinator Cashell so that arrangements can be made for herself, Matt or someone else to meet them. We need to update our fact sheet and talking points to help when people go to the capitol. If for some reason you can not get ahold of Coordinator Cashell, please call the general office. Other locals or districts encouraged to keep track of the date that District 4 is coming to the capitol on their bus trip and try to fill the halls on that date. We are part of the Biker Rights Machine and the machine is only as strong as its strongest part. When you go to the capitol call ahead and make an appointment to meet with your elected official.

The issue has been brought up about why we are involved in the health care issues since they don't directly involve motorcycling. It does involve motorcycling when insurance companies allow source of injury exclusions or are surcharging you because you ride a motorcycle. Everyone needs to remember that we need to look at all issues, whether they are directly related to motorcycling or not, as there are a lot of things that can and do effect us in a round about way.

Please remember that we all need to treat every member of this organization with respect and if you have a problem with something that someone has said or is doing, approach that individual personally about the issue. Don't use the newsletter, emails or public forums to address the issue. Be respectful of all members of this organization. An issue was addressed regarding an article that was recently run in the Freedom Press that slammed one party and lawyers and this upset the membership of one local. Office Manager Chapman stated that we do not censor any local submissions except for things like 50/50, raffles, etc. Our membership needs to remember when they are submitting things to the newsletter that our newsletter is read by not only our membership but also by others outside of our organization, including our legislators. Chairman Chapman stated that as an organization we will never be a one party organization, nor

will we ever censor what a local submits.

MRF – Wayne Tipton – Tip introduced John Pierce from ABATE of Oklahoma and current board member of the MRF. John thanked everyone for the invitation to speak at our FEW Seminar, for the ability to attend our CC meeting and for our support of the MRF.

Several of our members attended Meeting of the Minds in Peoria, Illinois in September. There are over a thousand pieces of legislation that the AMA is working on and watching at the state levels. Next year's MOTM will be September 22-25, 2011 in Romulus, Michigan. He hoped that something could be placed in the budget to get several members of FORR to this event. The National Highway Transportation Administration is unable to account for a reason why motorcycle accidents and fatalities are going down. They are going to be spending money to find out why this is taking place. There is a \$350,000 grant that has been made available for states to randomly pull motorcyclists over to educate you on riding a motorcycle safer. They are calling these safety checks but in fact it opens up the door to a whole bunch of other legal issues. These safety checks are singling out motorcyclists only as the targets of their roadside stops. We really need to watch what is going on in Washington DC as what happens there directly affects us as motorcyclists. California passed a law that police officers can confiscate a motorcycle if the exhaust on the bike does not contain an EPA stamp. This authorization exists whether the bike is running or not at the time of the inspection. Sweden has now banned PTW – powered two wheelers. They are working towards a one world – one bike standard. Europe is the largest market right now for bikes, so manufacturers are going to focus their design efforts to meet the European requirements.

Rider Education – Doug Clawson - BRC 26 classes, 3 cancelled, 203 took place, 194 passed. Numbers were down a bit this year statewide. ERC 7 classes scheduled, 6 cancelled, 7 took and passed. New trailer is about 95% completed. It has been very helpful and functional. The Trenton site has really benefited from the new trailer.

Missouri Motorcycle Safety Program advisory committee meeting was attended by Doug, Dallas and Deanna. Even though the governor has expressed a desire to cut many of the formal committees, this group has decided that they will continue to meet. Quality assurance checks were completed 100%. They are now going through the evaluations to see where improvements can be made to the state program. Many of the issues that were brought up were minor things such as the need for a 5 pound fire extinguisher instead of the 1 pound which was present, first aid kits, etc. Coordinator Clawson reported he did check into the three wheeled course which is being currently worked on. The class being worked on is a beginners course whereas what he has been asked to come up with is more of an experienced class. He said that he knows of someone who is certified by another program to teach 3 wheeled classes so he is going to work with these individuals to try to develop our own three wheeler program.

2011 Rider Education Budget submitted. Motion Local 10, 2nd local 6 that we approve the rider education budget as submitted. Amendment local 10 that we add another \$1,000 to the budget to cover MAC expenses. Deanna attended MOTM and MILE from the PAC budget. Deanna has not submitted expense receipts for gasoline, etc. to attend meetings or other department expenses. Treasurer Chapman suggested that this matter be tabled until January so that PAC, Doug, Deanna and Legislative can get together and talk about the budget questions. Motion by Local 35, 2nd Local 24 to table this matter until the January CC meeting, motion carries by voice vote unanimously.

Motorcycle Awareness - Deanna Norris – Coordinator Norris attended MOTM and Mid South MILE as a representative of FORR this year. She thanked the organization for sending her to these two wonderful events. She learned a lot of information at the seminars and also met a lot of people who handle rider awareness issues in their own states. This networking is something that money alone can't purchase. Next year she wants to work harder on getting awareness issues out to the general public better. She would like to develop a poster of some type that can be used at DMV offices. Needs ideas for artwork. Chris at MODOT has been talked with about this and he thinks we might be able to use some of the 2010 funds for this type of project. She would also like to come up with a couple of really good billboard ideas. MMSP did billboards last year but doesn't think they are going to do them again this year because they do not believe these were effective. Treasurer Chapman reminded Coordinator Norris that billboards are very expensive and locals would have to be willing to fund this type of activity since there is currently nothing in the budget for this type of an expense. Every local a few years back received a CD with PSA's about rider awareness issues and we need to start early to get these out to the radio stations. Rider Education Coordinator Clawson stated the reason MMSP does not believe the billboards are effective is because the number of students in the rider ed classes around the state have decreased. We need to make sure that everything we do is directly focused on the purpose of making other drivers aware of motorcycles. Check with your local radio station to see if they have any free interview slots available to address the motorcycle awareness issues. Coordinator Norris asked for a contact within each local for either the safety officer of the local or a person who wants to serve as a motorcycle awareness coordinator for the local. It is going to take everyone working together around the state to address the issue of motorcycle awareness in every community.

Product Line Manager – We are still looking for a product line manager. Local 24 reported that Patrick Harper has indicated he would be interested in stepping up to fulfill this position. He runs his own business and has done a lot of promotion for his business. The product line manager is in charge of distributing product, coming up with new product ideas and with permission of the chairman and treasurer procuring new product. You have to be able to store the product line, attend the CC meetings and ship product out to locals as necessary for their events. Treasurer Chapman stated that she believes the product line needs to be gotten down to a more manageable level with only a few specialty items. This individual needs to maintain an open line of communication with the corporate officers. Shelly Payne from Local 33 also expressed an interest in becoming the state product line manager. She has been the t-shirt vendor for Homecoming for the past several years. Local 24 stated he was sure Mr. Harper would withdraw his consideration since we had someone else willing to step up. Shelly Payne by voice approval confirmed as the new product line manager. Local 18 gave the state organization a large stack of Jay Nixon 2nd term bumper stickers. Motion by Local 6, 2nd local 42 that these bumper stickers be distributed free to anyone that wants one, motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

Newsletter – Office Manager Chapman – Extra copies of newsletters are available through the general office. During 2010 ten extra copies of each newsletter have been sent to the general office. She has cut this amount down as locals have not been requesting copies. If anyone needs extra newsletters for events, hospitality rooms, etc, please contact the general office.

Office Manager Chapman reported she is trying to put articles about motorcycle safety, maintenance and other articles that will hopefully help you be a better motorcyclist. She is also wanting to put a member of the month article highlighting one member. Locals or individuals encouraged to submit articles highlighting one of their members to the general office.

Several members have elected to not receive a newsletter. If you do not want to receive a freedom press as part of your membership benefits, you need to submit a written request to the general office.

Members only area of website password will be changed quarterly so the next change will take place in January. The password will be published in each newsletter.

Chairman –

FEW Seminar – JR DeGraffenreid - Locals that made contributions to this year's seminar: Local 8, 10, 25, 24, 15, 16, 6, 33, 7, 35, 41, 30, 19, 29, 42, 31, Mid America Freedom Rally, District 4, Wayne Tipton. Drawing held for the dinner at the 2011 Homecoming Labor Day Rally for up to 25 people. Local 24 won the dinner. Corporate officers can use Local 7's pavilion again next year. General consensus is that everyone but one wants to do this event again next year. Live auction brought in \$1,102.00, last biker standing \$271, silent auction \$866. The event donations and numbers were down from last year but hopefully the event will still result in some positive income for the organization. JR and Kathy are stepping down as coordinators of the event and will be turning the event over to the corporate officers. They would like to see a committee set up to coordinate the event but that is up to the corporate officers to decide. This event is designed for you, the membership of FORR. However it takes money to put on a quality event so next year when the officers come to you asking for donations please remember the money is used to put on an event to educate you. Plus the donations count towards your locals state donations. Vice Chairman King stated that the ground work has already been laid for the FEW Seminar so it shouldn't take too much to set up a committee to coordinate the event.

Mid South MILE – Wayne Tipton – 2010 MILE was held in Sherman Texas, 218 people signed in, this was the largest MILE ever. Thanked locals 8, Louise Reasoner, Ann Dodson, 5, 20, 35, 29, 24, 25, 11, Don Mackey, 41, Deanna for bringing motorcycle awareness products, Brian Lundy who built us a sleigh, and Terry Cook for hauling the basket. The theme of the Missouri basket was Christmas in October. Local 10 purchased the Missouri basket. The 20th will be in Missouri, but the location has not yet been selected. Since this is the 20th they would like to set up a committee to help get the event coordinated, set up a theme for the event and work on getting the event set up. MILE Rep ad was placed in the newsletter. Sharon Kempker has expressed an interest in stepping up for this position. She will be attending the committee meeting in February and if approved will be stepping into this position. Locals encouraged to consider making a donation to the MILE next year to help make this event extra special since it will be the 20th. Tip will still be on the committee as the Vice Chairman of the event.

General Office – The office will be closed the Friday after Thanksgiving, December 24th and December 31st as Dallas will be taking the rest of her vacation time on those dates. Manager Chapman thanked for all of her hard work and making things much easier for newbies.

Freedom Park – Locals that have made contributions to the park fund thanked. It won't do us any good to look for property until the fund gets enough money in it to cover a down payment.

Old Business:

Give a way project - Local 29 suggested that we do a drawing and give away a safety class. Suggestion by Local 6 that we consider doing a prepaid debit card give a way that someone can use on anything they want at any store that accepts debit cards. Vice Chairman King stated that when locals/individuals come up with ideas about a give a way project they need to be prepared with sufficient details to be able to effectively talk about the idea. Anyone interested in presenting an idea please prepare a complete summary of the idea, including the cost associated with the idea, the details of how the idea will be implemented, etc. and bring it to the January CC meeting.

Proposed change to the Preamble. Proposal that the preamble be changed to: The main purpose of this organization is to guard the rights of all motorcyclists; to keep them informed of all laws that will help or hinder them as motorcyclists; to promote safety, rider education, brotherhood, sisterhood and freedom for all motorcyclists. Vote on the proposed change by roll call, 10 yes 27 no, proposed change fails.

New business

Chairman Chapman stated the current way we are doing changes to our by-laws is not working. We need to be able to discuss the proposed change before voting on whether we want to print the proposed change. Chairman Chapman is going to present a proposed by-law change at the next meeting that will allow us to discuss proposed by law changes, make changes to the proposal and then make a vote on whether we want to publish the proposed change.

Chairman Chapman stated the first thing he and Halfbreed did when he took over as chairman was to go to the club house and try to make amends with them on some prior problems. As a result of this communication discussion has taken place about the possibility of FORR having a back patch. This would never be the winged wheel. If this actually happens everyone would have to be on board with the same agreement and that there will only be one approved patch. There will also be stipulations set forth that no member would ever automatically receive a patch by becoming a member, you must buy it, and you must have been a member for either 3 or 4 consecutive years before you would become eligible to purchase the patch. Everyone asked to take this back to their local and see if this is something they want to pursue further. Concern was addressed that we need to be very careful about doing this. Chairman Chapman said it is now up to the locals to decide what they want to do, he has opened the door on this issue, the decision of whether to pursue this further is now up to the membership. It takes several years for a new member to understand that we are an organization and not a club, that the patch on the back only shows that you are a member of this motorcycle rights organization, and this is why the decision was made to require a member to be in for a number of years before they would become eligible to purchase the patch. We have lost members because we did not have a back patch, we have also had locals that have been shut down because they went against the organization and had their own back patch. The patch will not be round. It will be a one piece patch which will say Freedom of Road Riders – Missouri Motorcyclist Rights Organization. No rockers, local designations or areas or other supplemental patches will be allowed. This is not going to be something that will happen overnight. It is going to take a lot more work to get this completely approved, but right now we need to know if this is something the locals actually want to pursue and if everyone is in agreement that there will only be one approved back patch for the organization.

Locals are having events without insurance or an individual of a local having an event and then the individual giving the proceeds from the event to the local. Just because a flyer is not in the locals name if the local receives any benefit from the event then we can be held responsible for any injuries/damages that take place during the event. Any good lawyer can find out about this paper trail and bring the local as well as the individual into a lawsuit. Please use common sense when holding events. The cost of insurance is cheap when you consider the ultimate consequences of holding an event that is uninsured.

Illinois and Wisconsin both do a one day lobby day and have a large number of people attend this one day event. Suggestion that we consider trying this instead of doing a capitol crusaders day each month or a week long event each month. If everyone knew that they had to be off work one day for this event maybe it would get more people there.

Motion by local 6, 2nd Local 35. Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

Freedom of Road Riders®, Inc.
Central Committee Meeting # 187
January 9, 2011– 10:00 a.m.

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

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Preamble
 - b. Moment of Silence
 - c. Pledge of Allegiance
 - d. Put cell phones on vibrate
 - e. Roll Call of Locals
 - f. Approval of Minutes
- II. Department Reports
 - a. Corporate Secretary
 - i. Membership
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Vice-Chairman
 - i. Engineer of Freedom Award
 - ii. Homecoming
 - iii. FEW Seminar
 - iv. BUFR Run
 - d. Legislative
 - i. AMA
 - ii. MRF
 - e. Rider Education
 - f. Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator
 - g. Product Line
 - h. Newsletter
 - i. Webmaster
 - j. Chairman
 - i. Mid South MILE
 - ii. General Office
 - iii. Freedom Park
- III. Old Business
 - a. Give a Way Project
 - b. Proposal regarding by-law changes
 - c. Back Patch
- IV. New Business
- V. Connections
 - a. District Chairmen
 - b. ABATE for Missouri

Legislative Meeting
 Saturday January 8, 2011 1:00 p.m.

Homecoming Committee Meeting
 Saturday January 8, 2011 3:00 p.m.

FEW Seminar Meeting
 4:30 p.m.

Officers Meeting
 Saturday January 8, 2011 5:00 p.m.

Central Committee Meeting
 Sunday January 9, 2011 10:00 a.m.

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

If your Central Committee Representative is unable to attend please call 800-309-RIDE

Central Committee Meetings are Smoke – Free

The following locals have not attended the past two or more Central Committee meetings:
 Locals 4 and 23

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LOCAL 1 - LEE'S SUMMIT

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 5 p.m. (Location Varies)

Contact: Rebel 816-850-4511 or Dallas 816-690-4200

Hello all and a happy new year to ya!

Hope you all had a good holiday.

By the time you read this Christmas will have come and gone and the new year will be upon us. Man, 2011, how time flies by....

Our past meeting went well a small turnout though. Took care of business as needed. As the weather gets nasty we may have to start thinking about 'paved' locations for meetings. Our December meeting will be at Larry & Mel's in Oak Grove. Officer nominations are still going on - we will be announcing the new officers in the February NL. Lots going on with corporate "Read the Minutes!" January's meeting will be held at our house same time - same bat channel.

Don't forget the District 4 Chili cookoff on January 29th. It will be held at the VFW in Sugar Creek. Look for flyers!

Speaking of Christmas - Local 14's Christmas party and auction was great as usual. Lots to be had - and had we did! Congrats to Trish for winning the attendance drawing - it was a whopper!. Everyone had a good time & as always the food was WONDERFUL. (see photos)

Remember to take care out there on the roads - who knows what "ole' mother nature" will throw our way this year! Not much to go on about this month, so once again - Have a good one, then have another!

See Ya,

Michelle 'Rebel' O'Connor #7157

Local 14 Benefit Christmas Party



LOCAL 4 - JACKS FORK/SHANNON COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 7 p.m. (Location Varies)

Contact: Mark "Rusty" House 417-247-1821 or Todd Dorman 417-260-2000

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

The District 4 Chili Cook Off is coming and it's not just for members. Invite everyone, print flyers and pass out at work, the store everywhere you go. January 29, 2011, 6 pm at VFW 3976, 12810 Kentucky Rd, Independence, MO. A New Year has arrived and it's time to make our New Year's Resolutions. Remember the purpose of our organization is to guard our rights not just as motorcyclists but also as Americans. No efforts is to small so please step up and pitch in.

Congratulations to Cindy Cornett whose birthday is January 14th. If you were missed and wish to be included just let me know.

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

Abide!

Amy Allmon

LOCAL 6 - ST. JOSEPH

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m. VFW Post #1668 at 821 N. 4th Street

Contact: Jim Cross 816-646-9976 or Dan Harmon 816-387-1095

Howdy Folks: Here we are again on Nov. 7 we started the Toy run at McBride's to the Noyes Home.

There was 50 bikes and over 100 peoples, there was several kids received presents. The ladies auxiliary from the VFW Post at Amazonia Mo donated to home and several members from FORR donated to home.

There were lots of food refreshments and everybody had a great time.

On Dec. 4 we had a giveaway ticket drawing at Jackson Cycle at 4:30 p.m. for a 500 dollar gift card. There were 60 people and members for drawing. The 5 year old girl Rosie Askford did the drawing for winning ticket. The winner of the ticket was Billy Allen from Savannah Mo was the lucky one. We like to thank Galen Jackson for his place for the drawing and there was lots food and refreshments provided by FORR.

Keep it between lines and have safe ride until we meet again.

Nose To The Wind Ride Safe
(Shakey)

LOCAL 7 - LEBANON

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 4 p.m. Shoney's

Contact: 417-286-3845

Greeting Local 7

Well summer has come and gone. Every year seems to go faster. Fall is here and so far the weather has been great. With fall comes the toy runs. In late October some of the local 7 members rode to Licking for their annual toy run. It was a great day for Beaver, Jerry and I to do some riding. The first weekend of November rolled around quick bringing the FORR toy run across the state. There were over 80 bikes at the Lebanon toy run. Some

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of those making the run was Watermelon Ron from Ozark and FORR members from the Lake area, Dale and his wife. Leading the ride was Donnie Claus and Robert the red nose reindeer. Besides all the toys and can goods Local 7 also donated \$200 to the Share Your Christmas program. The next week the Mid-West Drifters held their first toy run in Linn Creek. Because Beaver was the closest to the size of an elf he was chosen to pick the tickets for the door prizes. The weather was a little cool but the turn out was good, Don, C.A., Beaver, Guy and myself made this ride from Lebanon. Next came the Buffalo toy run. The weather was great and so was the turn out. There best ever at 351 bikes. Too many local 7 members to name. Keep up the good work.

In closing I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Ride on
Geezer

LOCAL 8 - CHILLICOTHE

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

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

Merry Christmas Sisters & Brothers in FORR land!!

I hope this finds everyone feeling the magic of the season. I want to start out thanking everyone who came out today and attended out meeting and appreciation dinner. A congratulation go out again to Superglide & Kevin Callihan for achieving the life membership in FORR, than you both for your dedication.

I also want to thank the following members for jumping on the Freedom Train for another year – Lee Boyles, Ted Tedrick, Robert Dement, Rhonda Tedrick, Butch Fore and Pam Johnston!

Our 2011 Officers are:

President – Gary Bears

Vice President – Pete Wooden

Secretary – Mauricia Bears

Treasurer – Glenda Ely

Membership Secretary – Glenda Ely

Legislative Liaison – Layne Shady

Central Committee Rep – Layne Shady

Alt - Bob Ely

District Reps – Meredith Alexander & Bob Ely

Alt – Lorie Brown

Product Line – Laura Ely

Historian – Lorie Brown

Road Captains – Kevin Epperson & Pete Wooden

Sergeant At Arms – Ron King, Dennis Moss, Kendra Hanes & Lorie Brown

Safety Coordinator – Carl Hanes

Best of luck to our officers, please show them your upmost appreciation and support.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for February 12 – CABIN FEVER at Rumors.

Our next meeting has been moved back one week due to the holidays. It will be held on January 9, 2011 at Rumors. We will have a noon carry in and 1 pm meeting.

As this will be my last newsletter and I hand the torch on to Mauricia I want to thank you all for tolerating my gibberish for the past million years.

Until next time – Keep Smilin'
Glenda



Kevin Callihan



Superglide

LOCAL 10 - JEFFERSON CITY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m. (Summer months - 3rd Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.) Pizza Hut near Super Gerbes.
Hwy 50 E. at Eastland Dr.

Contact: Dale Thomas 573-694-0074 or
Denise Taylor 573-353-4127

Happy New Year!!!! I Hope Santa was good to everyone and that you all survived year "2010"! I have faith that the New Year "2011" is going to be a better one! Let's all have that mind set and plan on some fun rides after we get through this season called winter!

The Leather & Lace dance is in the works for February 12th at the Michigan Place Banquet Center. More information and an event flyer will be posted at a later date.

Keep checking the webpage for any and all upcoming events at www.forrlocal10.net. Click on the message forum, I try to keep it updated as much as possible.

Denise Taylor
taylord34@embarqmail.com

LOCAL 11 - SOUTHWEST MISSOURI

Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 3 p.m. Carthage VFW, 16759
Inca Rd in Carthage

Contact: 417-793-4899

Howdy all from L11,

Well here we are in a brand new year, we have some new officers elected for the local, I will get right to that first, as promised.. President: Mark Capps, Vice-President: Terry Dunham, Treasury: Ella McCoy, Secretary: Kaime Johnson, Membership: Kaime Johnson, Legislative: Don Maki, Historian:

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Kim Grunden, Safety/Motorcycle Awareness: Shawn Riley, Sgt Arms: Shawn Riley, Editor: Mark Capps, CC Rep: Mark Capps, Events: Samantha Laney, Product Line: Janese Johnson.. welcome back, former officers and welcome aboard new officers.. I hope this is a great year for the local. Lets work together to make this the best one yet!!

I know it might seem a little early, but its time to start planning or FORR L11, Southwest Missouri Rally 2011, believe me, when I say it takes a lot of planning for this rally to come together successfully, We are looking for a band lineup change this year, so if you know of a good band, or a band that you would like to see come play at the rally, be sure to let us know and we will look into it.. I know we can pull off the "Best Little Rally in SWMO", I have faith, last year we improved from the previous year, this year will be even better...

It will be warm weather before you know it, time to start thinking about (if you haven't already), getting some new tires, servicing, and getting the bike ready for a great riding season... time is now to do this, don't wait til it gets warm enough to ride, and then you are trying to get your bike serviced up while everyone else is out riding... don't be left behind, if you take your to have it done somewhere.. I know the perfect guys for the job.. best rate anywhere..

Right now, it might be a little cool for you warm weather riders, but there are a few of us, who ride year round.. every chance we get.. a little sun and its leather up time.. cool air doesn't hurt anyone.. but that's the time of year you have to be extra careful because the other drivers on the roads are not expecting motorcycles to be out... then with the cinders and black ice, you have to put a little extra caution in your riding...

Til next time, be safe, ride em if you got em... and keep them with the handlebars up and the rubber down..

Happy New Year from L11,

Mark "Sparky" Capps
Pres/Editor/CC Rep
L11

LOCAL 12 - GLASGOW

Meetings: 4th Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. Fishbeak Saloon, Main St in Glasgow

Contact: Smokey Strodtman - 39415 280th Road, Gilliam, Mo. 65330 - sstrodtman@yahoo.com - 660-631-7324

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Greetings again to our brothers and sisters out in FORR-land from your friends on the banks of the muddy MO river. As I write this late fall is drawing to a close and it's time to think about getting the old scooter ready for next year's riding season. A fresh oil change and some gasoline stabilizer are a good place to start. Now's a good time to order needed parts, too, to avoid the Spring rush.

We had another small meeting on Nov. 18th with 10 members showing up. This could have been due to a mix-up over the meeting date due to Thanksgiving being on the 4th Thursday. Lyndal called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm and the minutes were approved as read. Courtney was not present so there was no treasury report. John reported that the National Transportation Safety Board is putting on a big push for all states to pass mandatory helmet laws.

Dave was not present so there was no C.C. report. Jeff was not present so there was no event coordinator's report. The monthly safety tips involved watching out for deer on the roads and large farm equipment. Under old business, the Christmas Party was discussed. It was decided to have it at Beckett's on Saturday, Dec. 18th at 6 pm. Two main courses will be offered, steak or pork chop, with salad and baked potato as sides. Cost will be \$14.95/plate. You MUST R.S.V.P. Beckett's with your order a minimum of two days before the event. This is always a great time, folks, let's try to have a good attendance.

The subject of poor attendance and participation was brought up and a motion was passed to have a Revitalize The Local committee. Members of the committee include Smokey, Pork Chop, Tami Adcock, John Stouffer, Lyndal Gerlt, and Laura Adcock. It was also emphasized that the committee should try to promote more quality time at the meetings. The first committee meeting will be held on January 22nd at Lyndal and Gail's, 27489 Bengarth Lane, Slater, MO, 65349. If you need directions, call Lyndal at 660-631-0477.

Under new business due to the poor attendance, nominations for the 2011 officers were tabled until the January meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm. This month's Good Guy award goes to Lyndal, who won the membership drawing and donated it all back to the local. Thanks, Lyndal!

Upcoming events:

Dec. 18th- Annual Christmas Party, 6 pm,
Beckett's Restaurant, Glasgow, MO
Jan. 22nd- Revitalize The Local committee meeting,
Gail and Lyndal's, 27989 Bengarth Lane, Slater,
660-631-0477
Jan. 27th- Local 12 meeting, Fish Beak Saloon,
Glasgow, 7 pm

If you have any items you would like in the newsletter, call me at 660-631-7324 or e-mail me at sstrodtman@yahoo.com or see me at the meeting.

Until next month.....be free, Smokey

LOCAL 13 - MEXICO

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7 p.m. @ the Moose Lodge in Mexico, Mo.

Contact: 573-473-8017 or 573-642-2345

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LOCAL 14 - INDEPENDENCE

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

Contact: Cheryl Buell - buellblast13@yahoo.com

Howdy Local 14,

Want to take a quick second to welcome our new officers for the upcoming year; David "Goofy" Phipps – President, Ron Keesee – Vice President and Treasurer, Linda Phipps – Secretary, Smokin' Joe – CC Rep., and Trisha Bernotas – Sgt. of Arms. Welcome and I'm sure we all wish them the best of luck.

Last night, Dec. 4th, we had our annual benefit auction which had a pretty decent turnout, at the time of this writing I don't know how well it did but I'm sure it did well. Thanks to all the members who put forth great effort to make this a success. Special thanks needs to go to Ron Keesee, David Phipps, Louie Dave, and everyone who donated items and put together a great feast. Thanks to all who came and were generous to buy all the items and make this years another great success. We should be proud that we can put together something of this magnitude to help some local families that really need some assistance during this holiday season.

I would like to take the time to give a brief history on this event. I was trying to remember when we started this, but between myself and Trisha we couldn't come up with a timeline of the actual beginning. It's been a long time, at least 18 years or more. This all began, as I recall, helping benefit some of our Local members that were having a rough time and needing a little extra financial help over the holiday season. We, Local 14, gathered up items that were sitting around the house that were no longer in use or were gathering dust in the far corner. We then set a date in December and brought those items to Rocky's Green Gables and auctioned them off, we also had pool tournaments back in the day. I can't remember how much was made during the first one but it was a success and we were able to help a family in need. Over the years it has grown and grown, we now have members getting donations from several local businesses and people who have items that they no longer need. Today we are able to help more than one family. Thanks to everyone's hard work and effort this has been a Local 14 tradition for many years and hopefully it will continue for many more, because someday you might be the one in need and you might appreciate that Local 14 does this wonderful event.

Thanks for listening and let's have a great 2011.

Down the road and movin' on,
Smokin' Joe Widmer

LOCAL 15 - BRANSON

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m. -Lonestar Steakhouse, Green Mountain Dr.

Contact: 417-334-0775

Hey Everyone,

I hope you have been enjoying the holidays. I know it may have been too cold to ride lately, but I know we always have a good time every time were together!

I have a wonderful list of dates that we have already planned for the coming year.

April 17 there is our Annual Swap meet

May 19 is the Branson Rally

July 8 thru the 10th is our Annual Hooten Town Rally

Sept. 25th is our Fall Swap Meet

Nov. 6th is our Annual Toy Run

If you've never been to any of our Annual get-togethers then you need to mark it on your calendars & come out & spend some time with us. If you have been before, remember there's always something different bound to happen every year'

Last month we voted in new member of our officers. Most of the previous years officers are returning to their duties again this year. But remember all you 15 Local members, think about volunteering for next year, you just may have fun!

Next BS meeting will be at the VFW on Jan. 4th. I hope everyone can come. Those folks at the VFW really are big supporters of FORR, as we are of the VET there! Some come & BS with us!

We will be starting off the New Year together again this Jan. 1st. We will meet at the Veterans Museum (across from Motorcycle Blvd) in Branson @1 pm. Then we will ride down the strip to the Midnite Rose. Once we get there we will warm up with Chili & all the fixin provided by Les & Cindy.

Well I don't think I forgot anything. I hope to everyone very soon, at an official get-together or passing by on the road!

Take care & ride safe!

Lou

LOCAL 16 - CAPE GIRARDEAU

Meetings: (Call for meeting info)

Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or Doug 573-768-2424

Email - forrlocal16@gmail.com

After an extended vacation, Local 16 is back in the news.

First things first, we would like to welcome all the new members. They are, Kris Schlimpert, Roger Pohlman, Belinda Bollinger, Kevin Engert, Lisa Brewer, Brian Wilson, Billy Shoulders and last but certainly least, Lisa Hengst.

We would also like to thank all of the faithful members who have enlightened and recruited, coerced, dogged, moosed, and buccaneered the aforementioned. We need to remind ourselves that after we sign up a new member we need to stay in touch with them and make sure they know when the next meeting is, that they know they can be part of the next event, that they know they have a voice and that their insight and their opinion is appreciated no matter how long you have been a member.

I'm not going to bother you with the news of the organization as a whole, for that you need to read the rest of the Freedom Press, in it's entirety.

The Christmas dance was declared a success, which means we broke even.

We had a good turn out and plenty of help throughout the evening. Jimmie Lee played til past closing time, and those that were still there sang without instrumental accompaniment.

Thanks to Keith for letting us the hall. Thanks to all that made it good time for everyone, Whitey, Sarah, Dudely, Lisa, Rick, Darren, Pattie, Danny, Karen, Lisa, Kim, Mike, and Bill. My apologies to anyone I may have left out.

We will be electing new officers at the next meeting. Anyone wanting to step up and be a more integral part of the organization, this is your chance.

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As of now the calendar of events are as follows,

Jan 21 Local mtg at Bill's Place in Biehle. Mtg starts at 7 pm
Election of local 16 officers for the coming year.

Feb 19 Broomstick Pool Tournament and local mtg at West
End Tavern in Frohna

Mtg starts at 1 pm Tournament starts at 3 pm.

Apr 2 April Fool's Dance and local mtg at the Hideout off the
Biehle exit of I-55

Mtg starts at 7 pm. Dance starts at 9 pm Apr 30 Local mtg at
Paul Kirn's home outside of Fruitland

Mtg starts at 7 pm call for directions

May 21 Local mtg at the Bayou Bar and Grill in Pocahontas
Mtg starts at 3 pm

Jun 25 Local mtg at Bill's Place in Biehle
Mtg starts at 7 pm

Jul 30 Local mtg at Martin's home in Pocahontas
Mtg starts around 7 pm

Aug 6 Bayou Run in Pocahontas run, bike show, band, etc.

Check out the Freedom Press or call for updates and changes.
Endeavor to persevere

Martin King of Pocahontas

LOCAL 18 - SPRINGFIELD

**Meetings: 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. Los Portales.
1036 W. Sunshine**

Contact: 417-569-4675 or 417-831-0108

Yeah it is 2011! And 2011 will be a big year. It starts with
keeping an eye on action in the legislature, getting the bikes ready
for spring, and most importantly getting ready for Leather and
Lace!

This year we will be at yet another new location. The Ramada
Oasis Convention Center on North Glenstone, you know where
it's at if you've been to a Spring Fling Bike Show. It is a huge
place and we should have a great event with lots of room. Mark
your calendars now for February 12th doors open at 6 pm and the
band will hit the stage around 8. This is a big step up for us and it
is not without risk, so please come out and bring a lot of friends!

Also, the Mid South MILE will be back in Southwest Missouri
this fall and preparations are already underway. It is a great
way to meet freedom fighters from all over the country and from
Belgium too!

Give me a shout for more info on any of these topics.

Big Jim
Ph# 234-6215

LOCAL 19 - KIRKSVILLE

**Meetings: Meeting Day & Location Varies - Check www.
local19.com**

**Contact: Pres. Darek Fowler 660-665-6983 or Secy./
Treas., Sally Schwaner 660-665-2083**

Hi all,

It looks like winter is here to stay. I'm ready for Spring!!!

We are looking forward to the Freeze your Buns Run at Steve &
Susie's New Year's day. We will ride one mile for each degree at
noon. Susie always has great chili too!

The auction is planned for Jan. 22, 2011. If anyone has t shirts

to get rid of, save them for Joni for the quilt. She always does
an excellent job. We have Rukkus for a band, and we all look to
have a great time.

The meeting is December will be election of officers! This may
be my last newsletter.

Well, stay warm and be sure to come out for the auction!!

Sally

LOCAL 20 - DEXTER

**Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m. Eagle's Club on Hwy
25.**

Contact: 573-293-4754



Congratulations goes out to Mindy Reif.
For receiving the Engineer of Freedom
award! We have great member's here at
Local 20!

I would like to thank Tom Ott for doing a
great job as Vice President you are a valued
member! We have a new Vice president his
name is Mitch Dukes, he has been a member
for a year and our road captain which he
done a good job as.

At our Nov. meeting one of our old
members which has been absent for a few years came back and
joined back up. Her name is Mona and she was our secretary
and she done a good job when she was secretary Thank you
Mona for rejoining! Sheri has been our secretary for a while and it
amazes me how she can remember everything that is discussed
at the meeting she keeps minutes and very rarely miss's anything!
Thank you Sheri you are a valued member!

Sheri and myself attended the Nov. CC meeting and she was
Local 20 Rep. When she gave the CC report at our meeting it
was very accurate and to the point. She informed all the members
of the important issues that was discussed at the CC meeting.
Again I would like to thank the member's that make the meeting's
sure would be nice to have the ones that don't at least make
some of the meeting's. It's like the saying United we stand
Divided we fall!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Well that's all for now until next time hope everybody had a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Keep it in the wind and "FREE"
Darrell



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Member of the Month Profile



Paul Jones, 71, is one of our original Local 26 members. He joined in 1994 and began riding his own after having enough excitement on the back of his brother's and brother-in-law's bikes. Paul's comment on those memories : "My brother's wheelie left me with some small rocks embedded in my hands when I fell off backwards. I think I have picked out most of them by now. The bro-in-law's Panhead (Harley) left me hanging on for dear life, the tightest I've ever hugged a man. The thrill of accelerating at high speed in the traffic in St. Joe way back when has stuck with me."

Paul teaches English at Northwest Missouri State University, in Maryville where he lives with his wife, Sandy of 49 years +. They have 4 children, 2 boys and 2 girls.

Paul was the MSF instructor for several years and supported Local 26 being a Vice President and Safety Officer as well as writing the newsletter for a couple years.

Paul's first bike was a 1980 Suzuki GSX 1100. He is currently awaiting his new ride, a 2011 black Heritage Softail Special, to be delivered after being "gussied up" as Paul put it.

Paul's longest ride was to Sturgis (in one day) and his most memorable was in 1997, the Minnesota Ironbutt 1000 (24 hours). He also recalls with thankfulness, his "venture" returning from Davenport, Iowa after his wife, Sandy, had a minor accident on her bike and broke her wrist. They put her bike in a borrowed truck and he rode his back in a dark cold rain thru construction areas. With his goggles fogging up making it almost impossible to see, he resigned to dying and thru the goggles off and kept going...making it home safely with an Angel by their side.

He's never had a serious accident but has dropped a couple bikes including his first Heritage.....once.

Paul's advice to new and "old" riders is: " Take the MSF Basic RiderCourse. Take the Experienced RiderCourse. Take it again. Do some track days. Think about safety. Read the books about it. Watch out for deer. Do a lot of riding. And don't take anything for granted."

Two of Paul's favorite sayings are from Shakespeare's play Hamlet:

"This above all: to thine own self be true, And it must follow, as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man."

And to his friend about his father who had just died Hamlet says: "He was a man. Take him for all in all, I shall not look upon his like again."

A quote Paul used at his own fathers funeral and hopes he has inspired his children to think the same of him someday. Happy Birthday Paul!



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LOCAL 21 - ELDON

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 1 p.m. Murdock's, 108 S Maple St, in Eldon, MO

Contact: Huff @ 573-789-6910 or huffhd79@aol.com

Hello to all. We had our elections for our officers for 2011 at our November meeting and to no surprise all officers remained the same with the exception of our new safety officer which happens to be Barb Shauck. We voted Barb in because she has been in the most wrecks and figured she might just learn a little about safety congrats to you Barb and all the others for your offices.

I hope that everyone had a good Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. By the time you read this New Years Eve will be on us so remember to be safe and have a Happy New Year. Speaking of New Years Day we are planning on having a chill ride. We will meet at T J Murdock's at 12:30 with last bike out at 1:00. This should prove to be a very interesting ride.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new members to our local and say that we as a local are here for you and urge you to attend our meetings regularly. Also thanks to those who have re-uped there memberships. That's all for now from Local 21. Be safe and stay warm.

LOCAL 23 - LINCOLN COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 10 a.m. Tattooed Lady, 181 Moscow Springs Plaza, Moscow Mills, MO

Contact: 636-366-9933

LOCAL 24 - ST. LOUIS

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m. VFW #3500, 1717 Big Bend in Richmond Heights, MO

Contact: 636-343-2876

Hello! Happy New Year to everyone! I hope everyone had a joyous Christmas!

We had our 2011 officer elections at the November meeting.

Our 2011 officers are as follows:

President - Bill "Treetop" Duncan

Vice President - Patrick "Bones" Parker

Treasurer - Dion "Noid" DeVan

Secretary - Kathleen "Chinutz" Duncan

Legislative/CC- Lynn "Aunt B" Mathews

Safety - Adam "Ratwinger" Brown

Events - Linda "Pinky" Winston

Newsletter/Historian - Dawn "Dot" Robertson

Webmaster - Joe "Bossman" Robertson

L-24 is already in the process of scheduling all 2011 events. All flyer's are planned to be complete and submitted by January/February. Four of the local events have already been discussed and tentative months and events are as follows:

Blessing of the Bikes - April 17

Broadway Bar Hop - June 11

POW March to the Arch - September 17

KRAP Run - October 18

Thanks to all who came to the Christmas party! It was a great way to end our year at the VFW! Our next year's meeting place was decided on at our December meeting. Next month's issue

will have the location, the day and time will remain the same. Feel free to e-mail me to get the location information if you need it prior to the next meeting @ Kathleen1980@att.net. Or refer to the December meeting minutes. Let's all remember to work together this year as we have in the past, and let's try to get membership back up again!

Please check your membership card to see if your membership is lapsed or up for renewal!

Don't forget to check out our website at <http://forr24.webs.com/>
Ride hard and be safe!!! ~ Chinutz ~

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: 636-299-1032

Hello All,

Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. Did anyone get a new bike ? Hopefully you didn't have to assemble it !

Also, I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Party on Dec. 11th.

Legislatively FORR will be filing a new helmet modification bill, and will be looking to defeat anything with a GPS mileage tax.

New Officers for 2011

President - Tom Heitman

Vice President - Mark Roloff

Secretary - Lynne Adkins

Treasurer & Membership - Chris Heitman

C.C. Rep & Legislative Officer - Wayne "Tip" Tipton

ABATE Rep - Tony Shepherd

Also... Past member Bernie Noonan lost his battle with Cancer. Please be in prayer for Bernie's family, especially during this holiday season.

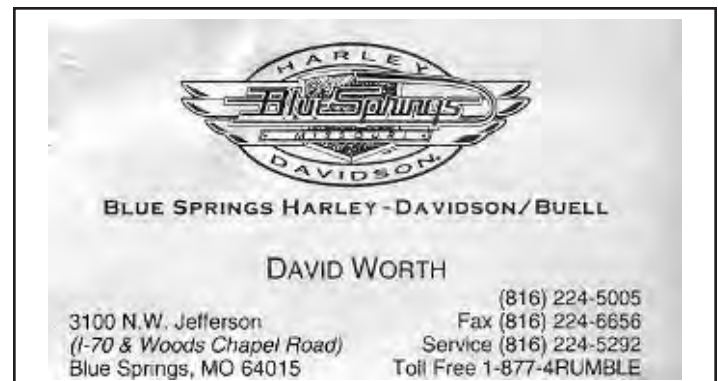
June 4th & 5th will be the dates for the 2011 Make - A - Wish event.

Our next meeting will be January 16th Hope to see you all there.

If you do attempt to ride this winter... remember that "Black Ice" is no joke !

& as always Leather UP... and... Rubber DOWN !!!

Rascal



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LOCAL 26 - MARYVILLE

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

Contact: 660-582-4599

Merry Christmas??!! Wow! Can't believe it's that time of year... already!

Hope everyone had a safe and nice Thanksgiving and enjoys the Christmas Spirit.

It's been pretty "non-eventful" the last month since the riding season is ending.

We did have Toys for Tots Nov. 7th with a nice day and turnout of 40-50 individuals, most on bikes, donating \$365 and some canned goods to the food pantry and \$300 to toys for tots and ALOT of toys!!! Thanks everyone for helping our local children have a better Christmas and Holiday season. What a great group of people Local 26 is!

Our next gathering will be all about food and safety. Pot Luck at Movie Magic on Jan. 18th at 6:30 pm.

Instead of our usual Christmas Party this year we are trying something new.....

SPRING FEVER FLING: Saturday, Feb. 12th, 2011 at the Eagles on Hwy 71 south of Maryville. Social Hour: 6 pm
Serving Meal: 7 pm

Dance: 8-midnight

R.S.V.P. by January 31, 2011 (MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE)
Members of Local 26 will get in FREE IF you respond before Jan 31, 2011 and membership is paid by December 31! After Jan 31, cost will be \$25/person.

Non-members \$25 per person (After Jan 31--\$30/person)

Please send RSVP to: Movie Magic

216 W. 3rd St.

Maryville, MO 64468

Happy Birthday to: Paul Jones, Warren Tate and Murlin O'Donnell

On the recovery: Richard Hansen, Rick and Gaye Frampton
Sympathy thoughts and prayers to Carl and Diane Ashbaugh for the loss of his father.

and Miranda Spurgin for the loss of her Mother.

Hoping you have a safe and Blessed Christmas!

Jeanine Montgomery
jcandcompany@yahoo.com
660-562-3932

LOCAL 27 - SAC-OSAGE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. Buzz Suzy Q's 1315 SW Pence Avenue Roscoe, MO 417-646-2079

Contact: Pres. Ray Burns 417-327-5596 or

V.P. Dave Singleton 816-718-6792

Howdy Boys & Girls,

It's been a beautiful autumn, going so late into the year, with cool air and a few days of wind, but really not bad. I hope you've been riding every chance you get, it's about over!

A pretty good MM this time around, we had some important issues to cover. We had 18 members in attendance and 3 guests including L-33 member Chuck Buck, Little Rebel – Dalton Skrok and Chris Dickens. The meeting started at its usual 1:10 waiting for stragglers. A few braved the wind and cold to ride, good going guys.

Treasurer Burns has the account in order and was approved with payment to Secretary and CC Rep expenses and a small amount going to the very successful Toy Run (more on that later). Secretary Ross read minutes and was also approved. Membership Sec. Brooks has us at 53 members.

CC Rep Cashell talked about CC needing a corporate Treasurer and asked if anyone was interested... no taker at this time also the Product Line Manager at the CC level has been filled.

He talked about a Safety and Awareness Coordinator at the local level and was taken as a good idea for the next administration to consider. CC Rep Cashell discussed the possibility of putting a patch of FORR design on the back of vests and was motioned for a vote. We voted to keep the FORR Wheel on the front of our vests/jackets as it was a very recognizable symbol and are hoping the other locals feel the same. Another issue voted on and approved is for active military to get \$5 off at certain events. A suggestion taking shape is to have a CC Rep Coordinator assistant and have Ty as mentor.

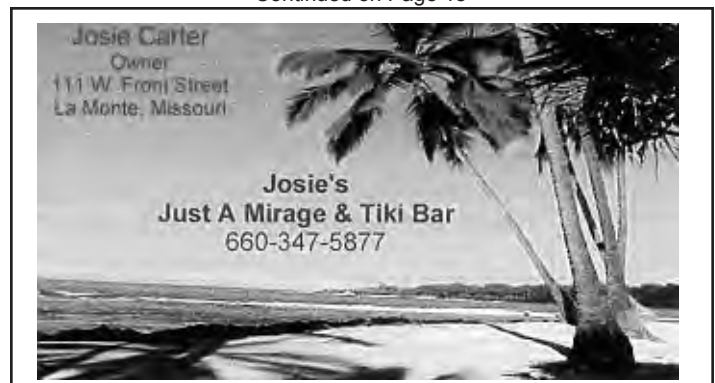
Our annual L-27 Toy Run was a huge success as we surpassed last year's total making \$1080 and three huge tables full of toys. There was a very nice article on the front page of the St Clair County Courier with a great picture of all the toys, the Health Dept employees and our members Skull, Darla and Ray who delivered the goods. Thanks to everyone who participated and as usual all the desserts and the soup was appreciated, made by Rachel Rothmayer and the help of Leeann Piper and Darla Burns. Thanks ladies you did a super job.

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The annual Freedom of Road Riders, Local 26, Maryville MO Toys for Tots Motorcycle Run was held Sunday November 7th. Approximately 50 people attended the event, and raised \$275 plus lots of toys for Toys for Tots, \$365

was raised for the Food pantry at the Ministry Center. Representatives of TCW and The Ministry Center are pictured with local 26.



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We voted to donate \$250 to Kay's' (Buzz's manager) toy drive because she gives us money anytime we ask and is very generous by not charging us for the meeting room. (And puts up with what I'll call our playful antics!)

We are planning a News Year ride from somewhere around here to Warsaw's -The Dam Lounge. More details on that at Decembers Meeting.

THE ELECTIONS... We nominated for the election and hope we get a good turnout. Good Luck to all the candidates. No reason to mention any names, by the time you get this the elections will be over!

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and thanks again to FORR for the reason we gather.

Sincerely, Cher

LOCAL 28 - WAYNESVILLE

Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m. Pulaski Shriners Club.
Contact: President 573-308-7228 - Vice President 573-528-6029 - Shrine Club 573-774-5454.

A young woman is distraught because she fears her husband is having an affair, so she buys a gun. The next day she comes home early and finds her husband in bed with another woman. Angrily she grabs the gun and holds it to her own head. The husband jumps out of bed, begging her not to shoot herself. Hysterical, the woman responds, "Shut up; you're next."

Wow, last week I couldn't even spell nooseleter, now I'm gonna try to write one!

Elections for 2011 are over. We at Local 28 would like to say a special thanks to the outgoing officers for all their time and hardwork over the past year. 2011 officers are: President, Phil McComb; Vice-President, Adrina Becker; Secretary, Tasha Protho; Treasurer, Sundae Morgan; CC Rep, Brian Brewer; Product Line, Colby Schnetzler; Membership, Billy Garten; Safety, Anita Hudgens (don't tell her but I sorta got a crush on her); Newsletter, Ivan "Joker" Hudgens; Historian, Danny Garten; and Webmaster, Mike "Taz" Moeller. I am confident this is a good cabinet and I predict a very good 2011. Upcoming events are New Year's Eve party at Pulaski County Shrine Club, 6:00; Polar Bear ride leaving from Price Cutter parking lot 12:00 noon 1/1/11; Valentine party 2/12/11 at Pulaski County Shrine Club 6:00.

Remember, life is like a coin you can spend it any way you like but you can only spend it once. Spend it wisely.

Be Safe, Joker out.



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LOCAL 29 - NORTH KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m. at VFW Post 4043, 1100 H Hwy, Liberty, MO

Contact: Jim Duyck 816-454-6574 or Ken DeMoss 913-449-1533 Website: www.forrlocal29.com

LOCAL 30 - NIXA

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 p.m. Amigo's, Main Street Plaza, Nixa

Contact: Pops at 417-830-6900

Hello Fellow Members and a Happy New year 2011! Local 30 would like to wish all of you a Bright, weather wonderful and safe riding year! We hope you all enjoyed the holidays with family and friends! And that all your of dreams came true.

Decembers meeting was held on Saturday the 4th at Amigo's, where we held our elections for 2011

President: Curtiss Moore

Vice President: Mark Davis

Membership Secretary: Lisa Davis

Secretary Pat Moore

Treasury: Donna Coursey

CC Rep: Randy Owens

News Editor and Face book: PJ Lane.

Our Meeting Day had been Changed to The third Thursday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at Amigo's.

We discussed the Leather and Lace Dance which will be held February 12th at the Oasis Center on Glenstone. Admission will be \$10.00 per person which, will include Dinner and entertainment, we are hoping that will be Trash Angel but if you know of any bands that might have that date open please contact Curtiss Moore or Mark Davis as soon as possible as it will be February sooner that we realize. Please try to make January's meeting as we learn more about the happing.

Lets give Mike Taylor a round of applaud on a job well done for signing 5 new members in one month Good work Mike!!!

After the meeting we all came back here to "The Lanes" for a Christmas gathering where I hope we all had a great time I know Ben and I sure enjoyed having you, and hope we can do it again soon. That might be an interesting thing to do like once a month after a ride, meet up at one of our houses for a bring a dish, BYOB and BBQ and I might just bring that up at the next meeting. :-)

Well my fellow members please stay warm, healthy and happy! and until next time.... Live well....Ride safe....Enjoy!...PJ

LOCAL 31 - ROLLA

Meetings: Last Tuesday @ 7 p.m. - Alex's Pizza, W 8th St, Rolla

Contacts: Brian Swift 573-263-1216 or Mike Adams 573-578-4239



Brrrr!!!!

Yes, I said brrrr! I'm sure you've noticed by now it's officially winter. If we are lucky, we will still have a few good riding days squeezed in here & there. This is a great time of the year to do some fixing up on the ole' bike & if you were good, maybe Santa was good to you in return &

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gave you some really nice accessories to dress it up. Of course that probably depends on how good you are at giving hints too! I hope all of you are getting to be with your loved ones during the Holidays but, please don't forget those who can't be home while serving their country.

Our November meeting we elected our 2011 officers & they are as follows.

President.....Brian Swift
Vice President.....Mike Adams
Treasurer/Membership....Christy Craft
Secretary/Editor.....Sue Daniels
CC Representative.....Debra John
Webmaster.....Brian Swift

Our Christmas dinner was at Cookin' From Scratch & everyone had a wonderful time & I don't believe anyone went away hungry. This year our local made a donation to the Licking Toy Fund to help make the little ones Christmas a little more special.

Our next meeting will be January 25th at Alex's. We take this time each year to try & plan our years activities so, if you know of a rally or an event you think we might all enjoy attending bring the dates & other info to the meeting if you have it. Hope to see you all there. May all your travels be safe, whether on two, three, four or six wheels. Merry Christmas to all & Happy New Year!

See ya, Sue



Sue Daniels on behalf of Local - 31 Freedom Of Road Riders in Rolla, MO presented Steve Blankenship the organizer of Licking's Annual Toy Run a check for \$275.00 to assist in the purchase of additional toys to be given away to the children at the Annual Christmas Parade. FORR is an organization that guards the rights of all motorcyclist, promotes safety rider education

& freedom for all motorcyclist.

LOCAL 33 - HWY. 50 WEST

Meetings: 3rd Sunday Noon @ AM Vets on Hwy. 50 West. Knob Noster.

Contact: President - Doug Weiss 660-233-3949

For newsletter input Contact: Ed Carper 660-422-7353

Well, here we are standing on the threshold of a new year 2011. We made it through another Holiday season and ready to hit the New Year, but alas, the weather is still crappy and cold! Thank you, Weather Channel.

So let's get down to business. First off, we have suffered some tragedies here within local 33. We had a rider go down due to a deer in the road. He's recuperating from head trauma and broken bones and the bikes a mess, but he should fully recover given time. The bike is questionable. The other truly sad event was one of our riders lost his lady friend to natural causes and we are all recovering from that loss. We will miss a good lady and friend. God bless and keep you Karen. We will all miss you sorely.

Our meeting of November 21, 2010 elected new officers for 2011 and they are:

Pres. Doug Weiss
Vice Pres. Allen Miller
Treasurer, Elaine Guy
Secretary, Debbie Farris
Membership Tamra Carter
CC Rep Roy Howard
District 4 Rep. Biff Shackelford
Road Captain, Randy Farris
Assistant Road Captains are: Robert Waye, Bo Smith, Sherman T. Potter and Ken Schneider
FORR Product line, Shelly Payne
Historian, Tamra Carter
Newsletter editor, Ed Carper
Webmaster, the unsinkable Sam King
Sgt (kick your butt) at Arms is Robert Waye.

Mr. Bob Barringer USAF Ret. Won the incentive pot of \$26.00 and Sandy Dierks won the George Washington Pot of \$32.00 of which she donated \$10.00 to the Adopt-A-Family, Christmas fund. Thank you Sandy! A vote was also taken within the local to help our downed rider to pay bills after his horrific accident and the group voted to give him \$500.00 to help out.

The Adopt a Family Christmas and dinner for 2010 was a great success with everyone chipping in to help and go above and beyond the call of duty. The turkey, ham and all the trimmings were prepared by members of Local 33 and I now understand why some of our riders have moved to larger bikes. Their wives and or husbands are great cooks. There are actually only a few words to describe our member's behavior at the Christmas dinner. Fatty, fatty, pig, pig, fatty, fatty. Get a bigger bike. Of which I too am a full fledged member of the fatty club. A great job goes out to all the members who put out. Oops, bad choice of words there.

To date, Local 33 has had many a good rides since the summer months and there was much fun, refreshment and good causes to ride, but participation was lacking. We have over 100 members, so let's ride gals and guys. This is your organization! Don't procrastinate and think 15 of us can do it by ourselves. We need you and want to ride with you. So come to the meetings and then let's ride FREE.

Hi-Ho-Silver!!!
The Editor



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LOCAL 35 - GOLDEN VALLEY

Meetings: 4th Saturday @ 6 p.m. Motel 6/Diamond Back, Rives Rd & 7 Hwy, Clinton, MO
Contact: Bob Hawkins (Hm) 660-694-3589 or (Day) 660-885-5741

While the winter months tend to keep our bikes at a stand still, they provide time to connect with family and friends, and to get actively involved in your community. In December, Local 35 met up with 3 other area motorcycle groups (Christian Motorcycle Association, Southern Cruisers and Women On Wheels) at a "Caring & Sharing at Christmas" event on the 4th. 65 people attended the event & everyone brought a nice toy and non-perishable foods items. With a local DJ, snacks, and good company we had a great time and raised \$345. 21 people with 8 bikes met on Sunday December 5th and braved the cold to deliver the gifts, toys, groceries and money to Jodi and associates at the Samaritan Center in Clinton, Mo. An interesting fact was of the 65 people attending the event 2 of them run for public office during 2010 (one for Missouri Congress and one for U.S. Congress). Bikers are working on making a difference!

December also brought about the election of officers for the up coming year. With the recent growth in Local 35 we had some new members step into some of the positions. Here is a list of the new officers: President - Bob Hawkins; Vice-President - Randy Nations; Secretary - Linda Browning; Treasurer - Linda Hawkins; CC Representative - Ray Herron; Membership Secretary - Karen Ryan; Newsletter - Elaine Herron; Road Captain - Lyle Browning; District Rep. - Randy Nations; MAFR Rep. - Bob Hawkins; MAFR Rep. - Pat Green; Local Editor - Bob Hawkins.

Our District Chili Cook-off is on January 29th at the VFW 3976 in Sugar Creek. Sounds like there might be some "chili challenges" going on. We at Local 35 will be participating and would like to encourage all of the locals to send at least one representative for this important fundraiser.

We would like to remind you that all infringements on our liberties affect each and every one of us, not only motorcycle related issues. We would like to leave you with our quote for the month from one of our founding fathers:

"Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote..." Ben Franklin



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LOCAL 41 - CAMERON CROSSROADS

Meetings: 1st Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. Breadeaux Pizza
Contact: Steve Gallus 816-449-5037 or 2707

We at Local 41 thought that our OFFICERS were doing such a good job we voted to keep things like they are. the old saying is if it ain't broke don't fix it.

Some of the things we talked about was JULY 24th is our BIKE SHOW. Proclamation Run in April. The DISTRICT RALLY in May. A good friend will come bail you out of jail, but a TRUE friend would be sitting next to you saying " DAMN THAT WAS FUN". Stay warm and I'll see you all when it gets riding weather.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
 HAPPY NEW YEAR
 STEMS

LOCAL 42 - FRANKLIN COUNTY

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1:00 p.m. Pacific Eagle Small Meeting Room in Pacific, MO Contact: President - Rick Gish 314-578-6006



Hello everyone, two days ago I attended the F.E.W. Seminar in Jeff City and like last year it was definitely informative. Doug Clawson and Chuck Buck spent a great deal of time on safety including taking breathalyzer tests after a couple of brave volunteers agreed to drink beer and be tested. It was an eye opener. It

only takes but a couple of beers to lose your license not to mention a CDL. Daryl Perkins from the Dale Carnegie then showed us how to speak to the public... John Pierce told us how to get members and keep em... Martin received a beautiful award, congratulations to him. It was a framed Missouri flag that has flown at the capital for one day. Modot gave a great talk and gave out all kinds of t-shirts and decals and signs. I got to see friends I made last year..If you have never been to one then I highly recommend that you go next year. If you want to find out more, catch me around the meeting table. Another thing that I enjoy is reading through the old newsletters in the archives on our website. FORR.com.

We met at the American Legion in Jeff City and had one heck of a good home cooked meal. There was five of us altogether from Local 42. Last man standing Bingo was fun even though like last year I got called out on the first number. The live and silent auction was filled with all kinds of wonderful stuff. I didn't stay for Ross and Rotten cause I had to get the truck home but I'm sure you were in for a special treat with these guys. They are no holds barred when it comes to down home humor.

I'm back...Yesterday we had our monthly meeting which was also our elections. Rick is still Prez, I'm Vice Prez, Alma is still Treasurer, Debbie is still Secretary, Georgia is still C.C. and David is Legislative. Gene is our Safety Officer and Kenny is our Sergeant of Arms. I is still the newsletter writerupper. We discussed our minutes and the meeting went smooth. We tabled the idea of the patches on the back of our attire. There were fifteen members present. Looking forward to a good year coming up. That's all I got for now, talk later, Tex

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LOCAL 46 - GREATER KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 1st Sunday @ 1 p.m. Bamboo Hut, 10111 E 40 Hwy, Independence, MO 64055

Contact: Rodney "Bulldog" Allen 816-289-6409 or Ron "Wolfrider" Phillips 816-695-7563

Hey there FORR Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you all had a wonderful Turkey Day and Happy Holidays! Start off your new year with a bit of kindness, let's make this one better than the last. If you are riding in these frozen times, be very careful, watch the weather forecasts and plan ahead. Our January birthdays are: Me!-Jan 23.

Local 46 is going to have some celebration together. We are also going to announce our new officers next letter. :-)

Happy New Year!

Quote of the Day:

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude."

~ Maya Angelou

Megan Maddox
30029

Happy New Year From Your Central Committee Cabinet



DISTRICT 4

District 4 Legislative Chili cook-off

Where: VFW Post 3976

12810 Kentucky Road Independence MO.

Date: January 29th 2011

Time: Cook-Off starts 6:00 pm

What to bring:

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“ENGINEER OF FREEDOM” AWARD

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

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

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

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

A. Any member or Local may nominate a member for this award. Simply write a letter to the Central Committee Cabinet of FORR® outlining the contributions of the nominee to the cause of freedom and mail it or e-mail to the FORR Corporate Secretary, 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 at the officer's meeting the night before 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 the day 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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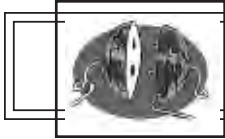


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Extend your riding season: Cold weather strategies

By Bill Andrews
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Old man winter lets loose a final blast to knock that last orange leaf to the ground. For some, it's time to roll the two-wheeled companion into a corner of the garage, throw the battery on a trickle charger, and hope for an early spring. For others, there is no end to the riding season, just a change in riding gear.

No, we're not talking about those who live in perpetual sunshine and warmth, but rather, folks who don't let cold weather deprive them of their favorite form of transportation. With a little knowledge and a few cold weather tricks, your riding season can be extended.

Here are some strategies for dealing with the worst winter has to offer:

Ice

Black ice — really just an ominous name for hard-to-see frozen water on the road — can occur any time the temperature has been near the freezing point, or where frost can form. Some touring bikes have an air-temperature thermometer, but adding one to any bike is a cheap fix.

Bridges are susceptible to icing because they are disconnected from the warmth of the Earth and cool faster when air temperatures drop. Watch for spots on the road that are shaded from the sun. Well-traveled roads are often better, because passing traffic melts and dries the moisture.

If you do feel like you're on an icy patch, don't make any sudden moves, and don't touch the brakes. Pull in the clutch and let the bike coast until you're clear.

Hypothermia

That cold shiver up your spine isn't just uncomfortable. It could also be a warning.

Hypothermia occurs when your core body temperature drops significantly, and it can be deadly.

Temperatures don't need to be below freezing to induce hypothermia. Wind chill gets worse as wind speeds increase, and the longer you're out, the worse it gets.

One early sign of potential hypothermia occurs when you start feeling cold and you can't decide if you should pull over or not. The answer is always yes, but your judgment may be clouded. Long before this point occurs, you should have pulled into that nice warm cafe and had some hot chocolate or soup.

Uncontrolled shivering and chattering teeth are signs of real danger. You may start to feel dizzy, or even drunk, as your muscles begin to stiffen. Continued exposure may cause the shivering to slow down or even stop, but by then you're in serious trouble.

The well-dressed rider

How do you mitigate the dangers of cold weather? First of all, cover up.

It all boils down to insulating your body. To do that, you need to layer.

Synthetics work better for your inner layer than cotton, which holds moisture against your skin. On top of that, wear fleece, wool, or other layers that provide insulation. The idea is to let your body create a warm pocket of air between you and the environment.

Finally, you need to stop the environment from stealing your warm air. Your outer layer needs to block the wind. Leather works; denim, for example, doesn't. These days, we also have a broad array of choices in nylon gear made specifically for motorcycling that provides versatile weather protection with vents, removable liners, waterproof

membranes, adjustable fit, etc. If you choose outerwear that isn't waterproof, such as a leather jacket, be sure to carry a rainsuit that fits over it. Getting wet robs you of your insulation.

Whichever outer layer you choose, remember that it should provide crash protection, too. Buy gear made for motorcycling, not the fashion show.

Hands can be particularly vulnerable to the cold. Gauntlet-style gloves will help you seal the gap between gloves and jacket. Gloves with a breathable, waterproof liner will keep rain out while allowing moisture from perspiration to escape.

It may be obvious, but a full-face helmet will keep you warmer than no helmet, or an open-face helmet. Sealing the area around your neck with a bandanna, or better yet a fleece or wind- and waterproof neck warmer, can make a dramatic difference. A balaclava (right) under the helmet provides a lot of additional comfort for minimal bulk.

What about the bike?

No matter how well you're dressed, cold air has a way of sneaking in and robbing heat. The longer you're on the road, the worse it gets. Your front line in the defense against cold is to block the wind.

A windshield or fairing is a good front-line defense. Mounting a small windshield on your handlebars, if your bike doesn't have one, can be enough to divert the wind off your chest and help keep your upper-body vital organs warm.

Going electric

No matter how well you dress, if you're on the road long enough, you'll lose more heat than your body can generate. Long riders resort to electrical assistance.

Heated clothing, which uses your bike's electrical system to power heating elements, makes a huge difference by not just insulating you, but adding heat to the whole equation.

Gloves start around \$100. Vests, depending on the style, can go from \$100 to \$200. Socks can range from simple D-cell powered items that sell for around \$25, to \$90 systems that hook into the rest of your electric riding gear.

Make sure your charging system can handle the load. Find out the output of your charging system, add up the draw from all your electrical gear, and make sure you're not draining your battery. Also, leave a margin of error, because your bike's output may be measured at cruising rpms and it may produce considerably less electrical power at idle.

For many riders, a vest alone is enough. If you keep your torso warm, your body will focus on pumping warm blood to your extremities. If you torso gets cold, your body will abandon the extremities to try to keep the vital organs warm, and that's when you can suffer from dangerously numb hands or, possibly, frostbitten toes.

Chemical options

Another option is a lightweight, disposable heat pack, which offers a different kind of protection.

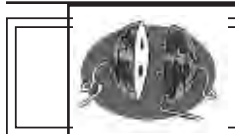
Imagine you're out for a ride on a nice fall day. You're so consumed with the changing leaves that you don't notice how far you've ridden. It's getting dark and cold — fast. A bit of quick heat can make all the difference.

An outdoor gear store, or even one of the big-box retailers that sell recreational goods, will have chemical packs of the type hunters use. Be careful, because some can produce up to 150 degrees, so don't put them next to bare skin.

Keep hydrated

One last thing to think about — that you might not think about: Drink lots of liquids. Dehydration may be foremost in your mind in the hot months, but you still lose moisture in winter. Cold, dry winter air can suck moisture out of you and you may not notice that you're perspiring.





Connections



National Transportation Safety Board Calls for Nationwide Helmet Laws

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation reports that the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) is calling on all States that do not have a mandatory helmet law to adopt one. The NTSB has a "top ten most wanted" list that has never before addressed motorcycle helmet law, but does now. They are asking for every State to enact mandatory helmet law for every rider and passenger on every motorcycle.

This is a disturbing, but not surprising, recommendation by the NTSB. They had a forum in 2007 where they brought in some motorcycle safety professionals and asked them a few questions, they then relied on their motorcycle crash investigations, a whopping six in total crash investigations to issue some safety recommendations. This pales in comparison to the over 150,000 airline incident investigations, over 90,000 other surface transportation investigations, which does more than qualify them to issue such recommendations. But investigating just six motorcycle accidents and now they are the experts?

What's also surprising is the fact that motorcycle deaths declined last year. For the first time in 11 years motorcycle fatalities went down, and not just a few percentage points. Motorcycle fatalities were down 16 percent last year. And it is not because people were riding less, vehicle miles traveled for motorcycles was down just a half a percent over the previous year, according to the US DOT.

The NTSB has no regulatory ability and no law making ability, just the power to issue recommendations to the States, industry and the Federal government. We at the MRF are troubled by the NTSB issuing recommendations about anything motorcycle, with such a lack of expertise in the arena of motorcycling and a seemingly nonchalant attitude towards the motorcyclists of this country.

The MRF will keep up you updated on this and every other issue facing the Motorcyclists of America. Read the NTSB "most wanted list" here: http://www.ntsb.gov/recs/brochures/MostWanted_2010_2011.pdf



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MID-SOUTH M.I.L.E.-TEXAS-2010



I had always heard that things were bigger in Texas, but being a dude from the Show-Me State, you have to "show me" to make me a believer. Guess what? Texas showed me, and this past October, in Texas, the biggest Mid-South M.I.L.E. in the 19- year history of the conference became reality. Over 200 motorcyclists from

5 states and Europe were in attendance, in Sherman, Texas to rejuvenate their noggins on the finer points of motorcyclist rights.

The conference kicked off on Saturday morning with Slider Gilmore presenting his new seminar: LESSONS OF LIFE. This was not the usual "Two-Wheel Trauma" type seminar that we are use to from Slider; rather some key points that will help you attain happiness and success in your life, from lessons Slider has learned over the years and thru research. Well worth the time.

We were given updates about this past years legislative sessions and what we can look forward to in the upcoming year from the 5 states (Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Missouri) as well as the MRF, AMA, NCOM, and our friends in Europe.

The folks in Texas provided a great luncheon and then it was down to the nitty gritty of the conference. Presentations were made by the MRF (Thank you Hardtail), AMA (Imre Szauter), NCOM (South Dakota State Senator Jim "Putter" Putnam) Theo Beeldens and Bart Cocquet (MAG Belgium) gave us some insight to what is going on in Europe as it eventually gets to this side of the Atlantic and affects us as bikers. Other seminars included: Share the Road (Wayne Wiersen, ABATE of IOWA), Women in Motorcycling (Connie Thompson, ABATE of Texas), Civics 101 and Effective Leadership (Terry Cook, FORR, Missouri), Magic and Toxic Members (John Pierce, ABATE of Oklahoma and MRF Board Member), Letter Writing (Andy Stoodly, ABATE of Texas) and more.

The day's business concluded with the banquet and auction of State Baskets (not of your Easter variety). Then it was off to the hospitality room and what happens in Texas stays in Texas.

The Texans set the bar and as we make plans for the 2011 Mid-South M.I.L.E. in Missouri we anticipate it being bigger and better than the one just concluded. If all goes well, be looking in the MRF Reports for information inviting you to attend the 20th Annual MILE, in Missouri in mid October.

The Mission Statement: the Goal of the Mid-South M.I.L.E. (Motorcyclists Improving Legislative Effectiveness) is to share ideas, techniques, strategies, and enthusiasm using the format of an annual educational conference. The MILE has been meeting that goal for the past 19 years and it is our hope and belief we will be here for the long term.

Submitted by
Wayne "Tip" Tipton
Vice-Chairman, Mid-South MILE



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