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Notes from Bill

We are heading into the second half of the session and things have been moving along. We need to keep this momentum going. We still have a long way to go.

The right of way bills have had hearings on both sides with very different outcomes. SB 696 was heard in the senate transportation committee. The committee was very cooperative with FORR and had very little opposition. This bill should move out of this committee very quickly, with any luck. But on the house side they heard HB1149 and had a very different outcome. Some of the house members were not real perceptive to our views on this bill. We will keep with this to the end and hopefully by the time you read this we will have been able to change their minds.

HB1655 was heard in the general law committee and it went very well except for the fact that the permit language was put in this bill. This language was kind of an oversight on my part I didn't even notice till a member pointed out to me. This part was put on the bill last year and when Burlison filed the bill he went off the bill from last year and that's how it got there. The committee will probably take this part out will now right after I have written this letter. We did have some opposition with this bill the doctors, head injury, and MoDot. We need to thank a couple of representatives for the support and the fact they finally told MoDot that they should not be there to testify. Since they are state paid they should not have a decision on this bill. We hope for this bill to be voted out of the committee very soon. SB604 is not doing as well. Holsman will not go for a hearing at this time because of some opposition on the bill. We will keep on him and with any luck we can get a hearing on this bill before you read this. This is an issue that we will not give up on.

We are also supporting a bill that would help put some funds into the safety program. HB 1572 would put a \$5 surcharge on motorcycle registration. That money would go to the MMSP trust fund. With this kind of money would help start new sites and hopefully bring the price of a course down. This means more bikers could be taught and will save more lives. This bill has had a hearing in transportation committee with no opposition. But we need to remember that there is a chance this money might not go where we want it to go since it will go through the Dept. of Revenue. There also a duplicate in the senate, SB 821. We are also watching HB1517 which is the motorcycle lemon law.

FORR is the largest motorcycle rights organization in the state of Missouri and we are out to watch the right of all motorcycle riders. We go to the capitol to fight for the rights of all motorcyclists in the state. Join the organization at forr.net will be glad to have you in the family.

KEEP THE FREEDOM TRAIN ROLLING!

Notes from MAC

Alright, Alright, Alright, LOL. April is here so that means May is right around the corner. You know what we do this time of year? That's right, WE RIDE. May is Motorcycle Awareness Month officially on the books. So it is our job once again to remind people that we are out there, please watch out for us and that is exactly what we are going to do. Please, please, join us in bringing in May as Motorcycle Awareness month.

15th Annual Mike Sloan Memorial Motorcycle Awareness and You Rally – (The MAY Rally)

April 29th. We are meeting at Memorial Park in Jefferson City for the ride over to the Capitol. Flyers are available now so please forward to every group you know, I mean all groups. Also send to your radio stations, TV Stations, anywhere that will give free PR. Post them in Motorcycle dealerships, gas stations, grocery stores, bars, anywhere and everywhere riders might be. I would like one person from each local to come up and tell us what that local did for the Local Awareness Outreach event the weekend before, and who they brought with them. Remember this is not about the helmet in anyway, this is about Awareness. I am challenging each and every local to bring at least 5 people, 1 to talk, at least 1 from another group, 1 potential member, and whoever else you can get to come. If your local paper, radio station or TV station would

like to cover our MAY Rally please give them a personal invitation. This is great PR for us. We can explain why we are there and remind people to please watch out for us. Please let us know if you do bring Media so either myself, Treetop or Bill Kempker can speak to them.

Local Awareness Event- While you're posting the MAY Rally you can also post your local Awareness event that you should already have put together, if not there is still time. We used to do Proclamation rides before the MAY Rally and you can still do that if you like, it bring awareness to your municipality that is actually law now. Find the best avenue for your local to do an awareness outreach. This could be at your grocery store, or Walmart or it could be a ride, a bike show etc. this is up to your local. My local is doing a bike show at the Capitol Mall, to talk to people shopping who may not know much about Motorcycles and talk to the ones that do, about membership, safety courses and awareness. The people we really want to reach out to are the ones that know nothing about Motorcycles. The little old lady that clutches her purse tighter when she sees us in leather. This is our chance to let the public know we're not bad people; hopefully change some of the public's perception of us too. You tell them personally as you hand them a key chain or other awareness item, I'm usually under a helmet and dressed in leather. I wanted you to see that bikers are good people; we come from all walks of life and we have families, so please watch out for us. These are just ideas it is of course completely up to you. Take plenty of trifolds, we will have the electronic version available on the website as soon as possible so that your local may go in and print. We just don't have enough in the state budget to print for each local. You will have to have your flyer approved and your sanction form done and turned into Dallas at least 30 days before your event, the symbol I use for Awareness is available electronically if you would like to use it for your flyer please call me. You don't have to pay for insurance for this event. This year it will be the weekend of April 26th and 27th. This is the weekend before the MAY Rally and Local 16 has graciously paid for the Insurance to cover the state, so that we can all have Awareness Outreach events at the same time across the state.

Awareness Supplies- We should get our supplies around the end of March hopefully all will go right and you will have them by the time you get this newsletter. MODOT is separating out the supplies again by accidents. So if your area has a higher number of accidents than you will receive more. Like usual I will keep you posted as we go, and I imagine that they will ship your years supply in the first shipment so please use sparingly. Don't forget your local can always come up with your own Awareness ideas; they just have to be approved.

State Fair Booth- Local 33 stepped up and asked for help to do a booth at the state fair again this year. I believe it was 40.00 a local is all they asked for and some man power. We have 2500 or so members and we can't come up with that, for the largest outreach in one spot that we have had yet. I even reposted on my FB to see if we could get any takers, none. We all want to stay safe out there, so we work on Safety and Awareness and of course Legislation to help us do this, but we can't come together and help out another part of our family with a good idea to touch many different types of people about all of our causes and membership. I think this membership needs to think about where we are going and how we are going to get there. I know there is always someone that doesn't want to be involved for whatever reason; and then there are those you know you can count on. We need more involvement from those who are never involved. I know each and every member has something they are good at. Please stand up and take a job, if you're giving out the jobs find their niche and ask them for help.

Districts- I have said this before and will say it again I would love to see locals come together and get their districts going. It brings brothers and sisters in the same general area together to raise membership, awareness, do rides, and events you name it. We are not one local against another, we are all brother and sisters in this together, so get rid of the drama and figure out a way to be a family again. If you have any questions, please call me 816-591-3478. Thank you!

We must keep this Freedom Train a rolling!

Lots of love Freedom Family

Deanna Rhodes – MAC

Freedom of Road Riders Motorcycle Awareness Coordinator

Letter to the Editor

Hey Freedom Fighters,

I am working on a project to be put in the auction at the meeting of the minds this year in KC.

What I am asking is when you are at your favorite dealership pick up a poker chip ,at your favorite watering hole pick up a marker or even a challenge coin for you military types.

If you are able to help, please give the items to the local 24 cc rep at the cc meeting.

Any questions contact me at ratwinger@gmail.com

Thanks

Adam #4280

LOCAL 1 - WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 5765, 9642 Old Hwy 40, Odessa 64076

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

Hello all,

Rebel here again. Hopefully this letter reaches all with sunny & warm weather... Well, hopefully, we could really use it!

Many things are going on with Local 1...

"BIG NEWS".... Two of our good friends have become engaged to be married! Local 1's own Harley Rhoades & Heather Seeley. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BOTH OF YOU!

We are also talking about next month, (May), starting to have a lunch get together before our meetings. Starting at noon, If you can't make it early that's OK, but if you can make it that's OK too. We will still be having our regular meeting at 2. If you are interested give VP Joe a call to help coordinate any munchies that you might like to volunteer to bring. His number is 816-517-4048.

Don't forget the Motorcycle Awareness rides will be April 26th & 27th. Insurance is paid. All must be sanctioned and flyers approved.

On April 6th Local 33 is having an 'April Fools' poker run. For more info contact Bo: 660-441-0625 or Billy: 660-287-2482 or JR: 816-716-4350 if ya want to go on a ride.

The weather is getting better and better, can't wait for all of the Rallies to begin! "woohoo". Thunder Valley Speedway is the home for Octoberfest 2014 again, Yea!!!! Lets make plans and have a HUGE turnout. Hope everyone is doing their best in every way.

Not much more to write at this time, so as I always say.... have a good one, then have another!

See Ya,

Michelle 'Rebel' O'Connor #7157

LOCAL 3 - TRUMAN LAKE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1:30 p.m.

VFW Post 4197, Rt Tt, Osceola, MO

Contact: President: Dean Singleton 417-808-0286 or

Vice-President: Ray Burns 417-324-5596

Hello Local 3,

Would like to start this by acknowledgement to all who had been able to show up at Capital days, over 100 of our brothers and sisters was able to show up and make their voices heard. I hope the next one on the 5th of March goes as well if not better. Our meeting went rather well and we had a good turnout with a couple even riding in.

There isn't to many new items to mention other then the upcoming rides in the works and maybe a surprise event to involve the whole community.

Its been a cold month so far and I know their are many ready to blow the cobwebs out, although I have seen a few riding (bundled up like the kid from A Christmas Story) in 10 or lower degree weather.

If any one would like me to add anything please feel free to see me after the meeting.

Our safety coordinator (Steve Burrows) brought up how easy it is to begin your trip aware and alert, only after time become a bit distracted by what may be down the road, keep ever vigilant as to your surroundings and look for cues as to upcoming situations that could become a danger to you or your fellow riders. I hope this finds both our members and fellow riders well and warm, till next month.

Ride hard or Stay home

TURK

LOCAL 5 - SOUTH KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 2 p.m.

VFW Post 1829 at 5904 Crystal in KCMO.

Contact: 816-942-7507 or the VFW Post 816-921-2222

Hello,

Amy and Rebecca reported on their plans for the Meeting of the Minds that will be held in September 2014 in KCMO. They are working on a western theme in the hospitality room with our members and others within District 4. They can use all the help they can get so if you can give them a hand, contact one or the other and see what you can do. The Children's Easter Egg Hunt/Party will be in April and we are preparing to help support this good children's event, hope to see all of our other Locals there too. L-5 will be ordering to re-supply our local patches for our members soon. Welcome to our new member, Chris Williams, who joined L-5 last meeting, welcome Brother!

Post 1829 serves Taco's every Wednesday 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM Bike night and an all you can eat breakfast every Sunday 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon for \$7.00 EVERYONE is welcome. I think everyone is ready for SPRING I know we are with any luck this might be the last snow. Our best wishes to all our brothers & sisters in FORR Locals in Missouri and ride safe when this winter breaks!

Later Angel L-5

LOCAL 6 - ST. JOSEPH

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 12:30 p.m.

VFW #1668, 821 N 4th St., St. Joseph

Dan Harmon 816-387-1095

Once again I am writing this newsletter during a winter storm. And according to the Old Farmer's Almanac the entire month of March is not going to be very good riding weather. But with March coming in like a lion I hope it goes out like a lamb. I know we are wanting to get out there and feel the breeze on the 22nd but I may be feeling the breeze coming from my heater in my vehicle! Maybe April will be better.

Local 6 lost a great, long time member and supporter, Joyce Canfield. For those of you who didn't know her, she is the one that always drove



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"Santa" around in her side car for the Noyes Home Toy Run. She will be greatly missed. Our FORR family sends their thoughts and prayer to her family.

It was brought to our attention in the last meeting that those who live inside the St. Joseph city limit needs to get out and vote on April 8th on the smoking ban. I don't live there so I'm a little sketchy on the details. Please educate yourself on that issue before you vote on the 8th.

There have been some people complaining about not getting this newsletter. If you move you MUST let Dan Harmon know your new address as this mail will NOT be forwarded automatically by the post office. Our elected Central Committee Representative Nick Swope resigned during our February meeting. This means the alternative Tim Etherton will now be the Local 6 CC Rep as well as our District Rep with me, Sheila Etherton, as the alternative. We are in District 1 along with Local 26 Maryville and Local 41 Cameron Crossroads.

Some upcoming events or other rides known to me.

- March 16th – Local 6 meeting
- March 22nd – a get together ride
- April 19th – a get together ride
- April 20th – Local 6 meeting
- April 26th – District 1 Motorcycle Awareness Ride
Starts at Remington Nature Center @ 9:00
- May 4th – CC Meeting – Columbia, MO
- May 17th – Local 6 - Cabin Fever Ride in Bike Show – Jackson's Cycles
- May 18th – Local 6 meeting
- May 23rd to 26th – Mid-America Freedom Rally – Buckhorn, MO
- May 30th to June 1st – Tentative date change of Black Top Rally at Pony Express RV Park in Maysville
- June 1st – Local 6 Biker Sunday
- June 15th – Local 6 meeting

Let me know of anything going on or if you want something posted in the newsletter, just remember I have to get it in one month before you get to read it. Phone 816-284-9653, email sheethm@yahoo.com or local6forr@yahoo.com .

Keep warm and safe out there.
Sheila E

LOCAL 7 - LEBANON

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

Greetings Local #7... This winter is dragging on way to long. We did have one Sunday that was dry and in the 40's. So when I heard they were having a ride in memory of Hailey the little girl from Springfield that was murdered; I took off for the ride. Thinking it was too late to call others and it wasn't that warm out I was surprised at the turnout. Media was covering this event and stated there were at least 2000 in attendance.

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It was quite a sight to see that many bikes rolling down 65 Hwy. There were cars pulled over and people on the overpass waving banners. The following week winter came back in full force with snow and ice cancelling out Freeze Yer Buns runs only the second time in 31 years, not a bad record. Well lets gear up for the April Fools Ride starting at Captain D's parking lot on April 6th at 1 pm. Winter will have to end sometime, right?

Ride on
Geezer

LOCAL 8 - CHILLICOTHE

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

Greetings From Local 8:

Will this winter ever be over? I know everyone is ready to ride. Our March meeting had to be postponed due to the weather. This is the first time that has happened in a long time.

Our Spring Fling plans are up in the air again. The Peanut Barrel baled on us so we are making new plans. We have two possible locations. Roach Lake where we had Spring Fling about ten years ago and Walnut Hills at Carrollton where we had District rallies in 02 and 03. Both places have pros and cons so we will vote on it at our meeting on March 9. Watch e-mails and face book for new location

Our April meeting is usually at Trenton at our training course. Carl does a rider tune up for every one who wants to participate. Its a great way to get ready .to ride. You don't have to be a member to take advantage of this. We will change our meeting locations since we had planned to have the May and June meetings at Peanut Barrel. Glenda will let everyone know the new locations.

We will have an Awareness Ride on April 26. We will start in Carrollton and head north on 65. Stops and details aren't set yet. We will meet other locals at some point. Watch for exact details. This is short since we haven't had a meeting this month.

Be Safe
Foxy Gama

LOCAL 9 - KEARNEY

Meetings: 4th Tuesday @ 7 pm
Meeting locations vary - call for info
Contact: Rob Hull 816-550-8162

A big hearty welcome to all of our new members! We look forward to building fabulous relationships with each of you as we join to bring motorcycle awareness to our communities. We are small (for now!) but mighty!

April is shaping up to be a VERY busy month for Local 9! Be sure to check the Upcoming Events section so you don't miss out on any of the fun!

Don't forget, the Joe "Puddy" Loyd patches are still available. The cost for each patch is \$7 which includes a \$1 donation to the "Puddy Pot" as it makes its final ride to the MRF September 25-28. To order your "Puddy Patch", contact Vinetta Loyd Garnett or Leah McDonald.

Upcoming Events

- April 8: District 4 Meeting (Bates City)
- April 12: Pool Tournament (FatBoyz, Kearney)
- April 26: M.A.Y. awareness event
- April 27: Kearney Bike Show by Local 29
(Local 9 assist)
- April 29: Local 9 Meeting (Kearney)
- September 25-28: Meeting of the Minds

LOCAL 10 - JEFFERSON CITY**Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7:00 p.m.****Twin Bridges Bar & Grill, 3 Miles South of Jefferson City on Hwy 54 & Junction CC****Contact: Dale Thomas 573-694-0074 or Denise Taylor 573-353-4127****LOCAL 11 - SOUTHWEST MISSOURI****Meetings: 4th Sunday @ 3 p.m.****Carthage Family Restaurant, 125 N Garrison Ave, Carthage****Contact: 417-793-4899****LOCAL 12 - GLASGOW****Meetings: First Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.****Fish Beak Saloon, 1st St., Glasgow****Contact: 660-631-7324 or smokeystrodman1952@gmail.com**

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!: WE WILL BE DOING OUR SECOND TRASH PICKUP ALONG THE 2 MILE STRETCH OF HWY. 240 WEST OF THE GLASGOW BRIDGE INTO THE GLASGOW BOTTOMLAND ON SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH, STARTING AT 12:30 PM. WE WILL HAVE OUR APRIL MEETING IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS IN GLASGOW AT A LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER. PARK NEXT TO THE WEST END OF THE BRIDGE IN THE PARKING LOT THERE

IF YOU ARE COMING TO HELP WITH THE TRASH PICKUP. THE MORE PARTICIPANTS WE GET, THE EASIER IT IS FOR EVERYBODY.

The reason we are not sure of the location at this writing (March 4th) is that the lady that was opening the Fish Beak for us no longer works there. Boz is going to check with the owner to see if we can make other arrangements to meet there. If not, we have other available sites; at the winery on Main St., at the Senior Center next to the police station, or, if the weather is nice, Stump Island. We will use the local 12 Facebook page, Boz's e-mail blast list, and the phone tree to inform everyone where it will be. If in doubt, call my phone number at the end of this news column. One of the subjects we will be covering is the motorcycle safety proclamation ride. We will also be covering the Firecracker Classic, whose date will be set at the March 16th meeting. Speaking of that, it is a make-up meeting for the third meeting in a row that we had to cancel due to weather conditions. That has got to be some kind of record, we must have really pissed Mother Nature off!

I would like to send congratulations out to our three newest FORR life members: Butch Johnson, Susan McDaniel, and Tony Noll. That makes a total of NINE life members in local 12, not bad for a 69 member local! In a couple of more years, we will be getting even more. We also have two thirty year plus members. Speaking of accomplishments, the FORR Local 12 Facebook page is up to 142 members as of this writing and there will probably be more by the time most of you read this. A big "thank you" goes out to everyone who has joined our page and I will continue to do my best to keep everyone updated. If members from other locals who are L12 Facebook page members have events coming up, be sure to post them on our page. We need to help each other out by attending as many events as possible.

Here's a question we might want to discuss at our next meeting: during riding season, how many of us would be interested in getting together at Stump Island (or another designated place) on the second Sunday of the month and going on a group ride and stop at a nice restaurant for lunch? I know this was originally John's idea and attendance wasn't too good but Boz would like to discuss it again. Perhaps with earlier planning, it would be more successful. We wouldn't have to do it every month but at least two or three rides a year would be nice.

Please don't forget we are in the middle of the legislative session and we need to be letting our senators and representatives know how we feel about all the motorcycle related legislation we have introduced this year. The best thing is to schedule a Capitol visit with Bill Kempker but if you can't do that, call, e-mail, or write your reps and senators to express your opinions on these bills. We are not only working to modify the mandatory helmet law this year, we are trying to get a bill passed regarding violation of our right-of-way as motorcycle riders, getting more funding for rider education programs, and getting motorcycles included in the "lemon law". Please read Bill Kempker's column in the Freedom Press every month and listen carefully to the legislative reports that John gives at our local 12 meetings.

I haven't had a meeting report lately because we had to cancel so many meetings but when we make these meetings up, I will bring everyone up to date. Setting dates for our make-up meetings is something else we need to do fairly quickly.

Here's a question to end the month regarding FORR history: Does anyone remember in what year we had our first committee hearing on modifying the mandatory helmet law? I was at that hearing and I will give everyone the answer next month or you can ask me at the next meeting.

Upcoming events:

April 6th-Trash pickup, Glasgow Hwy. 240, 12:30 pm followed by our regular April meeting, place to be announced.

April 29th-M.A.Y. Motorcycle Awareness Ride, Jefferson City.

May 4th- Local 12 regular meeting, 3 pm, place to be announced later.

If you have news you would like to put in the newsletter or have a question about upcoming meetings, call me at 660-631-7324 or e-mail me at smokeystrodman1952@gmail.com or see me at the meeting. Until next month.....be free, Smokey

LOCAL 13 - MEXICO**Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 3 p.m.****Audrain County Courthouse Community Room in Basement****Contact: 573-291-1465 or 573-881-7410**

Hello Brothers and Sisters Happy Spring,

Love this time of year, everything is new again, I was starting to think it would never come. Hoping that everyone is enjoying their spring and spending time with those you love. Which for some may involve polishing your bikes and planning an excursion out and about. We had a good turnout at our last meeting and many things were discussed. We covered events not all

dates are set, I will keep you updated as they are. We will be having our standard runs like the Wonder Run, the Betty Adams Memorial Toy Run and the Christmas party. We are looking into adding a couple Runs to this year's calendar and most of all adding a Family Day. The Brick City

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Bad boys have invited us to come to the Soy Bean festival to ride in the parade and also be in the Bike show part of this event. So we would like to set up an information booth. This it will allow us to reach out to others in our community and spread the word about FORR.

We as FORR members have a wonderful opportunity to brush up on our skills by taking a safety class at our nearest site. Dates and times can be found on forr.net, by calling the main office or you can contact me and I will pass on what information I do have. Even if you have ridden for a while there is always room for improvement. For me, it's a matter of safety and I am enrolled in the first class this month. Defensive driving is a must. We have to always be aware of your surroundings because there are too many out there that do not. Too many people use the excuse "I didn't see them." This is something said all too often when it comes to accidents involving motorcycles. That leads me to a subject near and dear to my heart. As most of you know we are supporting the SB1149 also known as the Failure to Yield the Right A Way or ROW. This bill has the potential to effect all of us as riders as well as all motorists on the highways, your families and mine. Too many motorists, usually people on four wheels, are simply not aware of their environment, so we as motorcyclists need to be on guard at all times. How many of us have lost a family member or a friend over this very issue? I have and one is too many in my opinion.

We have had two recent Crusaders to the Capital events to let our Legislator's know we are serious about certain issues. I was privileged enough to be at these events and the sense of pride in being part of the process was overwhelming. We had such an awesome turnout. Members from all over the State standing together and standing up for what we believe in, made me proud once again to be a member of this great Organization. I think what we need to remember is, these people work for us. They cannot do the job we would like to see them do, if they do not know what we as the public expect out of them. I guess what I'm trying to say, is let your voices be heard either in person or by simply writing a note to your district Representative or Senator. There are many issues that need to be addressed. We need to familiarize ourselves with the issues at hand. If one person stands up and says this is wrong, it makes it easier for others to follow suit. Everyone joins FORR for different reasons, but the heart of this organization is based on guarding the rights of all motorcyclist and keeping them informed. Education and Safety is where this begins in my opinion. We have a great resources as members in the form of the Freedom Press and forr.net you can also keep up to date through our Face Book pages. Our

April meeting will be held at the Audrain County Courthouse April 13th @ 3:00 pm, Due to the fact that our scheduled meeting would land on Easter Sunday. Hope to see you there. Also Roy Williams is having a birthday April 19th Happy Birthday Brother, we are so honored to have you in our Local 13 family.

Until next time Live Life to the Fullest and Stay FORRever Free;
Valerie Taylor
Secretary for Local 13

Questions or Concerns contact me at taylor.valerielocal13@yahoo.com or 573-291-1465

LOCAL 14 - INDEPENDENCE

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 2 p.m.

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

Contact: Joe Widmer 816-709-3618

Happy End of Winter, my fellow freedom riders,

Winter will be over by the time you read this and Lent just started so at this time it's just starting to warm up, while still being 20 degrees below normal for this time of year. Too much sand on the road for riding-I hate rust!

There is still much work going on in Jeff City. I hope you have followed our legislative issues and have had the opportunity to receive responses from your letters and were able to visit your reps and senators by participating in Capital Crusaders Days.

District 4 is requesting design submissions for 2014 Octoberfest t-shirts. I believe I am correct when I say the winner receives two free tickets to Octoberfest. Your design has to be submitted by the July District meeting. Good luck.

Our new Historian is Donna Hilburn. Our Sergeant-at-Arms is Trish Bernotas. And our newly-formed Activities Committee includes Trish, Mike Basso, Debbie Berneking, Susan Morrison, Gale Berneking, Joe Widmer, Derrick Holt and Dina Ayers. They welcome any and all who want to help. Their first meeting included working on the details for a dance in May with the VFW Post 3976. More to follow.

Our June meeting has been changed to accommodate Father's Day, SEMO and Spring Fling, so the June meeting has been scheduled for June 7th. It will be at Clayton and Trish Bernota's home In Independence, 200 E. Jones St Independence, MO. We look forward to seeing you then. And before. And next month. And tomorrow maybe.

There is chrome to polish and rides to plan so this one is short and sweet. See you on the road and in the wind.

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 Event Coordinator: Rob Hull (816)550-8162



LOCAL 15 - BRANSON

Meetings: 3rd Monday @ 7 p.m.
 Charlie's Steak & Ale, 3009 W Hwy 76, Branson
 Contact: 417-334-0775

Swap Meet, Swap Meet, Swap Meet!!!! This what everyone should be talking about. It's April 27th at Shadow Rock Park. Gates open at 9 am. Admission is \$5, if you want to sell parts or motorcycles and you are NOT a Professional Vendor then it's FREE. But it's only \$15 if you are a Pro Vendor, and that gate opens at 7 am. We set up for the Meet the night before around 4 pm then we have our Pre Swap Meet Party. It's always lots of fun hanging out with friends, sharing memories and making more. Ed and Tam will host a BBQ, please bring a side dish or dessert if you plan on eating and money to throw into the Food Fund.

This year we will be adding an Auction. Motorcycles or anything else you would like to auction. There will be a \$10 Reserve, so if your item doesn't get what you want for it, it doesn't sell. I love Auctions and I am really very excited about this one. If you want more information please call Ed Danley, our Event Coordinator or go to our Facebook Page, they will be glad to help.

April 1st is our BS Meeting at Fish Tales in Kimberling City. Every time we have it there I heard it was a good time, so come out and join us at 7 pm.

April 6th we will have our Annual Spring Poker Run. It's starts at Leatherworks Unlimited in Branson. It's a fun way to kick the riding season off and hang out with our Local folks. Sign up starts at 12 and first bike out is 1 p.m. I believe.

Please come out a support the Charlie Dawn Davis Benefit ride. Papa Jay Pafford started this benefit last year to thank and support the Ronald McDonald House Charities and all they do for local families while their children are in the hospital. His granddaughter was born premature and thanks to the care of the doctors and nurses she is a healthy strong WALKING around getting into everything 1 year old baby girl! The RMH helped her parents stay close to her as they do millions of other parents and this is one way to give back to them and show them the love that they show so many every single day. The Ride is April 13. Please watch for all the information as it comes out on Facebook.

We will meet at Charlie's Steakhouse again April 21st for our Business meeting, starts at 7 pm. Please come out, get involved and share your opinion.

See you soon, Lou

LOCAL 16 - SEMO

Meetings: (Call for meeting info)
 Contact: Whitey 573-768-2524 or
 Danny 573-243-0378
 Email - forrlocal16@gmail.com

We will be hosting an Awareness Ride, April 27, 2014 beginning at 12:30 pm at Bootheel Harley Davidson. Guest speaker will be Representative Donna Lichtenegger, R-157, co-sponsor of HB1282 which would address one of the leading causes of distracted driving accidents, cellphone usage. We invite all members to join us in celebration of Missouri's official recognition of May as Motorcycle Awareness month.

Thanks for your continued support of our Local...Melanie

LOCAL 19 - KIRKSVILLE

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

Greetings Local 19,

This winter will just not die, we are all eager to climb on our bikes and go for a ride. By the time the members receive this we hope the weather has changed for the better.

Our meeting was not held due to the weather of course, so there is little to report until next time.

Ride Safe
 Nancy



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LOCAL 20 - DEXTER

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 1 p.m.
 Eagles Club on Hwy 25
 Contact: Mona Morgan 573-718-0428



It is said that if March comes in like a lion it will go out as a lamb I for one am hoping this proves to be true. The end of February Ole Man Winter flexed his muscles once more with thunder sleet and snow storms I hope everyone is staying warm and that the lights are still on.

We are going to do something different this year the Corp of Engineers host a light display at Lake Wappapello every year and they were excited to hear that we are interested in setting up a display for FORR our invitation will arrive in October along with a map for us to choose our location since we called so early. Our new Vice President Dillan Bilbrey and Webmaster Shon Mares got their heads together and made this happen they will be the organizers and contact persons. Thanks to both of them and we will also need donations of lights, garland and I am hoping that we will have someone volunteer to build at least one wooden motorcycle for the display. No glass ornaments are allowed we can't use the phrase "Live to Ride" and no political statements or signs allowed I think those rules are pretty easy to follow. We can hang our banner. If any other locals wish to participate please let us know there is no fee and all we have to do is check the display periodically for blown lights etc.

We will also have a booth at the Butler County Fair this year at no charge since we will be doing an information only booth more details will be given later. Our tentative date is July 5, 2014. We hope to have a booth at the Stoddard County Fair and New Madrid County Fair also. I hope to have some type of fundraiser before these events to help brunt the expense of printing the materials we will need and donations are much appreciated.

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Tom Hankins has spoken to one of the Representatives for the Stoddard County members and voters and he has expressed an interest in attending one of our meetings and being a guest speaker Way to go Tom! We will get that set up and let everyone know so we can have a great showing and you all can have questions in hand for him.

We are moving right along and thank you to all of the members of local 20 for your support through renewing your memberships, attending the meetings and all other things that you do to keep the Freedom Train rolling.

Until Next time.....Keep it Between the Lines
Mona (Motor Mouth) Morgan – L20

LOCAL 21 - ELDON

Meetings: 3rd Saturday @ 1 p.m.

Contact: Dan @ 573-898-2291

LOCAL 23 - LINCOLN COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 11 a.m.

Main Street Cafe, 145 Main St, Old Monroe, MO 63369

Contact: 636-665-5004

LOCAL 24 - ST. LOUIS

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.

VFW #3944, 10815 Midland Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63114

Contact: Ken Lewis (314) 546-1624

LOCAL 25 - ST. PETERS

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.

American Legion Post 313, 200 Main St., Olde Town at

4-way stop in St. Peters, Mo. Contact: 636-299-3268



Hello all,

We had an awesome trip to the state capital on Tuesday February 18th for "Lobby Days" The bus arrived at the commuter lot at Mid Rivers Mall Dr. & Hwy 70 at 8:30 am, by 9:00 we boarded up with those already on the bus from Local's 42 & 24 and jumped onto Hwy 70 headed west, following a few members who chose to bike it. We made one quick stop in Kingdom City to grab snacks and drinks, then re-boarded the bus and headed down Hwy 54 into Jeff City to arrive around 11:15 at the capital. Once inside the capital, we split up into several groups to visit legislators in both House and Senate offices. We not only had the

opportunity to speak to legislators about House bill HB 1149 & Senate bill SB 696, but also had the opportunity to question some about the 2014 election to find out those who are running for re-election, and to see if they are supporting our legislation or not. Senator Scott Rupp (Dist. 2), who is the Senior Senator on the floor, is not running again this year. Scott informed us that Dr. Bob Onder is running for this seat. I have contacted Dr. Onder and he is planning to attend a couple of our meetings as to address our concerns and offer his help in the event that he is elected to Scott's seat. Scott has been a tremendous help to our causes during his many years in our states capital and we took the opportunity to personally thank him for that support.

Our Safety Coordinator Susan Lockhart, had a wonderful idea. She suggested honking at those drivers that are texting, or not looking, smile and wave, try to make it a cordial event. If everyone tries for just one positive encounter with a driver every day that they ride, we can slowly reach the driving public that we have to share the road with. Wave at a child in the car next to you while at a stop sign, or smile at the guy, or gal next to you at the red light. (We said smile... Not flirt) Make them see us! Let them see us as friendly people just like them. Let them know we are people who enjoy life... We can make a difference one person at a time. We thank Susan for all she does to encourage us, and remind us about road safety. We may never know the lives saved by friendly reminders.

Our Local 25 ad in Thunder Roads was approved for (1) year renewal, so continue to watch for our Local's ad in each issue of Thunder Roads on the "Biker's Bulletin Board"

- Our Local 25 Annual "Bear Run" will be on Sunday June 1st Starting at Chariots of Fire LLC 216 North Lincoln Drive Troy Missouri 63379. Sign Ups are from 10:00 am – 11:00 am with the last bike out no later than 11:30 am. The last stop will be Tattooed Lady Bar & Grill in Moscow Mills Missouri.

- Sunday April 13th will be the BIG 28th Annual Blessing of the Bikes @ Grand Slam Sports Bar & Grill 519 Mae Ct. Fenton, Missouri 63026 Gates open at 12:00 Noon. Local 25 will have a remote "sign up & ride to the blessing" leaving the American Legion Post 313 in Old Town St. Peters promptly @ 11:00 am.

- Our next meeting will be Sunday April 20th @ 1:00 pm.
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LOCAL 26 - MARYVILLE

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday @ 7 p.m.

(Call for info location varies)

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LOCAL 27 - SAC-OSAGE**Meetings: 2nd Wednesday @ 6 p.m.****El Rodeo, 306 E Jackson St, Bolivar, MO 65613****Contact: Pres. Olin Meadors 417-399-1374; Vice-Pres. Leland Seymour 636-497-2814**

Since FORR is a WHOLE family organization we at Local 27 thought we should honor that idea by meeting in a setting that was accessible to the whole family. We also gave a lot of thought to FORR's core goal of not only riders rights but ALSO rider safety. We've talked for a long time about how we should watch closely what role alcohol plays in events. We've observed over the years how many events have turned into motorized two wheel pup crawls even though that runs contradictory to what FORR stands for.

We're certainly not going on the wagon, and we're pretty sure that Carrie Nation has not paid dues to our local, rest assured that our coolers are fully stocked and iced down!... but we are making a real effort at putting our local and its members in an environment that more fully demonstrates what FORR is all about.

With that in mind we wish to invite everyone to our monthly meetings on the 2nd Wednesday night of the month at 6 pm. We meet at El Rodeo Mexican restaurant in Bolivar MO, just off the square... We no longer meet in a bar, and we think we're the better for it.

LOCAL 28 - WAYNESVILLE**Meetings: 1st Friday @ 7 p.m.****Pulaski Shriners Club.****Contact: President Larry Wheeler 573-586-7291, Vice President Steve Lincoln 573-337-9417, Shrine Club 573-774-545**

As I sit here and look at the snow on the ground, again, I ponder and wonder when it will ever be spring! But, on the ride to work in the mornings, there are signs all around that tell me it is on its way. Some of the trees are starting to bud, flowers are coming up, and the birds are flying. As the days get a little bit longer and warmer, all of those hibernating animals will start waking up. Be vigilant on those rides as the animals will be slow and sluggish. If the winter was any indication of things to come, our spring could be rainy and wet. Be prepared for the weather and don't forget to pack that rain gear. I want to wish everyone a happy spring and good riding!

The Missouri Motorcycle Safety Program will be starting up their rider classes soon. Some areas will start to offer their classes starting in March. Most of the others will be starting in April. For those of you who do not need the beginner course, there is an Advanced Rider Course being offered in Kansas City and St. Louis. For more information on the courses, please visit the web site at <http://mmmsp.org/new/>.

Notes from this month's meeting:

This newsletter has to go out before the meeting takes place, so there are no meeting notes to pass on. Just a reminder to everyone that the sign-up sheets for the Rally will be at the next few meetings and posted on the Facebook page, if you are interested in adding your name to a time slot. Also, Larry will be needing volunteers to man the tent at the next street fest to pass out flyers. Come on out and show your support during the event.

For a complete listing of the minutes, please visit the web site at www.local28forr.com.

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

- If you have not received an email or a card indicating that your membership is due for renewal, please contact Bill Calhoun at membership@local28forr.com.

- If your birthday or anniversary has not been announced at the local

meetings, and you would like it to be, please contact Bill Calhoun at the meetings or send him an email at membership@local28forr.com.

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

Upcoming Events:

15 March 2014 Route 66 St. Patty's Fest (membership tent)
4 April 2014 FORR Meeting
26 April 2014 Poker Run for Motorcycle Awareness Week
2 May 2014 FORR Meeting
23-26 May 2014 Freedom Rally
6 June 2014 FORR Meeting
5 July 2014 Buckhorn Blast (Poker Run)
11 July 2014 FORR Meeting
1 August 2014 FORR Meeting
27 August – 1 September 2014 Mid Missouri Motorcycle Rally
5 September 2014 FORR Meeting
3 October 2014 FORR Meeting
25 October 2014 Halloween Bash
7 November 2014 FORR Meeting
29 November 2014 Walmart Toy Ride
5 December 2014 FORR Meeting
1 January 2015 Polar Bear Run



St Louis 28th Anniversary Local 24

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Sunday April 13, 2014

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For: Bud Ball

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LOCAL 29 - NORTH KANSAS CITY

Meetings: 3rd Sunday @ 1 p.m.
 American Legion Post 61, 5125 N Bellaire, KCMO
 Contact: Paul McCormack 816-505-0526 or
 Bob Neal 816-809-7184
 Facebook: FORR Local 29

We had a good turnout at our February meeting with 16 members present. President Paul McCormack led us in the reading of the preamble of FORR and then in a moment of silence for our lost brothers and sisters. Chaplain Connie Kephart then opened our meeting with a prayer. Steve and Janet Williams, MAFR Reps, discussed the Mid-America Freedom Rally. We have turned in all our ads and trophy sponsors that we were responsible for. Janet passed around a sign-up sheet for shifts and many of them are now covered.

We discussed our 16th Annual Kearney Bike Show that will be held on April 27th, 2104, at the VFW in Kearney, MO. We are asking for L-29 members to be there at 8:00 AM, sign in starts at 10:00 AM, and the show starts at Noon. Anyone who would be interested in volunteering to help out at the show would be welcome. We decided to let any non-member of FORR who joins FORR L-29 at the gate to enter their bike into the show for free. We thanked everyone who is a Trophy Sponsor or an Event Sponsor. There is a list of these individuals and businesses on our Facebook page.

We had an opening for Sergeant At Arms and Steve Williams was elected to that post.

Local 29 voted to make a donation to the State in the amount of \$1,500.00 to cover our donation for 2014.

Local 29 received a certificate from Run for the Wall for our donations of several turkeys for last years KC area stop.

We discussed our annual calendar of events and added several things. Our calendar can be seen on our Facebook page: "Facebook FORR Local 29".

A thank you goes out to Steve and Michael Morris for their donation of \$24.00 to Local 29. Had Ken DeMoss been present at the meeting he would have won the Membership Incentive of \$20.00. It will go to \$30.00 in March. Janet Williams won the attendance incentive. We adjourned and traveled to Stroud's Chicken for a dinner run. Upon learning there was a 1 1/2 hour wait, we then traveled to the Alamo where we enjoyed the food and drink there.

That's it for now. Ride safe.
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LOCAL 30 - SPRINGFIELD/NIXA

Meetings: 3rd Thursday @ 7 p.m.
 Logan's Roadhouse, Battlefield Rd
 Contact: Mark 417-887-2923

Local 30 Springfield/Nixa meets the third Thursday of every month at Logan's Roadhouse on Battlefield Rd. in Springfield. Whether or not you've been out to join us in the past, we invite you to join us at 6:00 pm for food and fellowship; 7:00 pm for our monthly business meeting. We are fifty-seven members strong, twenty-one members in attendance of February's meeting. During February's meeting, Pat Moore was voted in as Local 30 historian and photographer. We appreciate all that everyone does regardless of the "official" or lack thereof, capacity.

We had a great turnout for Leather and Lace was a huge success this year, with a total of One hundred eighty four in attendance. Local 30 has voted to reserve the same location for 2015. We hope that if you joined us you had a good time and will pencil us in for next year as well.

Five of our members went to Jefferson City Feb. 18th and walked the halls of the Capital. I hear there were a lot of riders there...nice that the weather was favorable for the event. Check out Eric Burlison's Facebook page. I hear there's a picture there of the Locals on the Capital steps.

Local 30, as a group, donated and participated in the Hailey Owens Benefit Ride Sunday Feb. 23. Hailey's Grandpa is one of our members and our heartfelt condolences are with him and his family. Once again this community of motorcyclists came together to show that our hearts are filled with compassion and empathy. We look forward to the Motorcycle Awareness Ride in May, the exact date to follow, as well as the Charli Dawn Davis Benefit Ride on Sunday April 13th.

OK, folks, I promised you short, sweet and to the point this year. So until next month...

Ride safe, ride happy,
 Christine S.

LOCAL 29 KEARNEY Bike Show

The 2014 Kearney Bike Show is dedicated to the memory of:
Joe "Puddy" Loyd
 10/31/1956 to 01/13/2014. Life member of FORR and Local 29, RIP Brother.

16th Annual Bike Show
 Also dedicated to all our lost Brothers and Sisters, and those who have served our country.

Sunday, April 27th, 2014

Music will be provided. Sign-in from 10:00 a.m. till Noon. Judging begins at 12:00 p.m. Trophy presentation at 3:00 p.m.

All Motorcycles are Welcome. Ride or Trailer-ad in. Multiple Classes with 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place trophies. \$ 10.00 entry fee per bike. \$ 2.00 General Admission. Free to Children 13 & under. Show Entrance, Trophy Sponsors, and Vendors!

For a little Pre-Spring Sun... Dust off those leathers! Kick the Oil, Dirt Bag and Saddle Up! Or Wagon your Trusty Steed into the Kearney VFW! Parking lot at 301 W. Washington, Kearney, MO 64050 and make Jesse James proud!!

On Site Poker Run

Local 29

For more information contact:
 Paul McCormack (816) 505-0526
 Steve Neal (816) 809-1259
 Bob Neal (816) 809-7184

Facebook: FORR Local 29

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LOCAL 31 - ROLLA**Meetings: Last Friday @ 7:00 p.m.****Location varies - call for info****Contacts: Debra John 573-647-0129 or****Sabrena Shivers 573-201-1385****LOCAL 33 - HWY. 50 WEST****Meetings: 3rd Sunday, 1:00 p.m.****AM Vets on Hwy. 50, Just East of Knob Noster.****President - Bo Smith 660-441-0625**

Hopefully by the time you all read this winter will be a thing of the past and we'll be out in force enjoying the warmer days of spring. Everyone please remember to check over those bikes carefully after their long winter nap. Remember the T-CLOCS inspection checklist: T = Tires/Wheels; C = Controls (handlebars, levers, cables, hoses, throttle); L = Lights & Electrics (battery, headlight, taillight, turn signals, switches, mirrors, wiring); O = Oil and other fluids (check levels and check for leaks); C = chassis (frame, suspension, chain, fasteners) S = Stands (center & side stands). In addition its also a good idea to make sure your insurance info is current. And remember come April its time to give Uncle Sam their share and renew your tags.

We had a great time at the Moose Chili Cookoff back in February with Debbie Farris winning Best and Sarge winning Hottest. Doug Weiss took first in the 9-Ball tourney followed by Mark Baty in 2nd and Roger Kimmick 3rd. Hopefully we'll see a lot of you at the Moose Fill Your Crock and Shuffleboard tourney. Everyone had a blast last year playing shuffleboard and enjoying all the creative crock pot dishes. Plus its going to be the inaugural tourney for the shuffleboard table which survived a trip to hell and back.

If you're not receiving the local meeting minutes please let one of the local officers know so we can check your membership info to make sure

we have current addresses for you.

I'd like to welcome our newest members, Keith Kurczewski and Becky O'Rourke to the Local 33 family. Plus welcome back Ricky Baker. Local 33 is a stronger family for your support. Thank you.

The local has put together a good schedule of events for the year. Beginning with our April Fool's Day Poker Run on April 6th. In May the local will be headed to Buckhorn for the Mid America Freedom Rally over Memorial Day weekend. And don't forget June 21st will be our Got Lost Fun Run. That has proven to be an interesting ride over the years. Last year we had a first with someone actually guessing the name of the town where we were going.

The local also has a new Facebook page to help us get information out to our membership and the motorcycling community. Hopefully this will become a very useful and informative tool for the local.

The local at the last meeting voted to host a luncheon for the Am Vet Riders Run on May 17th. They are collecting money to help two Am Vet posts that lost buildings last year due to fire. We will be cooking burgers and dogs and would like our members to bring side dishes and deserts to help round out the menu.

There was really something fishy going on in February because Doug Weiss won our incentive pot and Granny won the George Washington pot. Can anyone else smell a weasel in the hen house ..Not making any accusations but

Oh yeah, while we're on the subject of Granny. She really showed off her historical side during the Moose Chili Cookoff. Thank goodness she didn't fall off those platforms because someone could have been seriously hurt. I also have it from a good source that our meek and mild mannered Granny used to work as a hooker and a hoer. Now now don't you all go thinking bad thoughts about Granny - remember things aren't always as they seem. Especially where Granny is concerned.

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Sunday, April 6, 2014

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Until next time - I'd like to leave you with something to ponder

When the police came for the outlaw biker
I remained silent
I was not an outlaw biker..

When they locked up the chopper rider for being too loud
I remained silent
I did not ride a chopper.

When they came for the sport bike rider
I did not speak out
I did not ride a sport bike.

When they came and locked away the helmetless rider
I still remained silent
I never rode without full protective gear.

When they came for me
There was no one left to speak out.

LOCAL 35 - GOLDEN VALLEY

Meetings: 4th Saturday @ 3 p.m.
VFW, 510 W Allen St, Clinton, MO 64735
Contact: Pat Green 660-885-6383

LOCAL 41 - CAMERON CROSSROADS

Meetings: 1st Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. - Call for location
Contact: Steve Gallus 816-449-5037 or 2707 or Mike Sims 660-425-8340

I hope by the time you read this the snow is gone and the birds are singing. I'm even looking forward to mowing yards.

At our last meeting it was talked about riding to ST. Joe. for Bikers night. After a lot of discussion it was decided that you can ride to St. Joe any time you want to. Talked about moving Bike Show date. I think we should have it on a good day. First group ride will be MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS RIDE. Each Local will run their own routes and meeting up with District 2 at Camero's in Bethany at 5 p.m. Hope we can work this out and make it happen. The MIKE SLOAN MEMORIAL RUN will still be the Tuesday after the awareness run. The District Rally is still being talked about bring back at a different date, like maybe the first of June. I think we should have it around Halloween weekend. Think of all the fun we could create. We are down to 27 members now. Bob gave a safety report. He said without safety we would all be a bunch of broken bones. Have a good one and see ya.

PEACE and LOVE
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LOCAL 42 - FRANKLIN COUNTY

Meetings: Last Sunday @ 3:00 p.m.
Pacific Eagle Small Meeting Room in Pacific, MO
Contact: President - Kenny Williams 314-221-7164

LOCAL 47 - SOUTHERN PLATTE COUNTY

Meetings: 3rd Saturday, 11:00 am
Dirk's Bar & Grill, 8132 NW Prairie View Rd, KCMO 64151 (also known as Platte Woods area)
Contact: Russell 816-699-9309 or Jack 816-591-2497

Come on spring... this local has PMS. Parked Motorcycle Syndrome. We love to ride so everyone in our local is encouraged to write down your mileage and bring it to the next meeting because at the end of the year you could be the winner as the member who rode the most miles!!! Congratulations to Norb and Barb Wiederholt were our winners last year. We had a great meeting as usual. John Reinert lead the Pledge of Alliance. We talked about planning some different events next year and will be having a committee meeting in the near future.

Ronda, Dale and Nancy went to the Capitol Tuesday the 18th for our first Capitol Crusaders Day on February 18th. There were close to 100 people in attendance this time. It was AWESOME. We need to figure out some way to get more people from the west side of Missouri to go. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Vinetta Garnett for the loss of her brother Joe Lloyd and to Tony Shepherd for the loss of his son Edward Ian Shepherd. We also want to wish a speedy recovery to Bob Hawkins who was in an accident and received some pretty serious injuries.

We have a picnic coming up on April 19, 2014. Everyone come and enjoy as we celebrate our 1st Anniversary as a Local. We have a very very special day planned and we will announce the winner of our drawing too. We will also be celebrating the one year wedding anniversary of Dave and Karen Voigts. Oh it will be a hoot. Meet at Dirks Bar and Grill @ 10:00. Bikes leaving at 12 for our scenic ride to Tryst Falls. There will be transportation for food items.

I would love to say a Big Happy Birthday to John REINERT and Jack Garrison.

This is Nancy signing off till next month please everyone be safe and be kind to one another.

Nancy "Skittles" Martin
#12303

DISTRICT 1

Meetings: 1st Wednesday
Check with your local rep for location



LOCAL 35

ANNUAL

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SUNDAY APRIL 27, 2014

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DISTRICT 4

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 pm
Bates City BBQ, 313 Market St, Bates City, MO 64011
Contact: 816-536-8147 or 816-728-6389

Octoberfest planning is in full swing. Contract is signed for Thunder Valley Drags. We need of sponsors, give away items and suggestions for bands. I am going to issue a challenge: the Local that brings in the most sponsors will get 2 O'fest passes to do with as they please. Gauntlet thrown!!

We had 119 that joined us at the Capitol in Jefferson City on February 18th and an about 40-50 March 5. SB 696 which is the Right-of-Way bill in the Senate has good backing and looks promising. However, the Right-of-way bill, HB 1149, needs some help. Everyone needs to call, e-mail, and/or write the members of the Judiciary Committee and express your position on this bill. Members are Stan Cox – Chairman, Kevin Elmer – Vice-Chairman, Mike Leara, Mike Colona, Galen Higdon, Rory Ellinger, Elijah Haahr, Chris Kelly, Robert Cornjo, Gina Mitten, Nick Marshall, and Todd Richardson.

HB 1572 and SB 821 will add a surcharge of \$5 to motorcycle registrations that is to be deposited in the Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund for safety programs. There may be an issue: it may not specify the money is to be deposited into the trust fund but the General Fund. Our Legislative Coordinator is tracking its progress.

I am sorry to say that I do not know the progress of the helmet modification bills. It is my hope that Bill will put the updates in the Freedom Press.

After saying all that, I was a little disappointed in the lack of attendance from District 4 on March 5. There were only 4 of us. Now, I understand that sometimes the job or health can be an issue. But we had plenty of time to make plans. Only 2 people contacted me to let me know they would not be able to make it. Just Saying!!

Abide!
Amy "Sunshine" Allmon

Freedom of Road Riders® Local 42

Annual Spring Poker Run

April 19, 2014

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

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

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

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

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June 7

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Connections



The Taxman Cometh

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has issued a proposed rule that would affect the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) and every other advocacy group with the same tax status. The MRF has what is known as 501(C) 4 tax status, this means the MRF can be involved in political activities, however donations to the MRF are not tax deductible for the person or group that donates the money. Recently the IRS seems to be unfairly targeting conservative tea party type groups. Now its time to punish everyone because the current IRS does not care for the way that some of these groups have been successful in getting out the vote and raising money. 501(c) 4's are named after the section of U.S. code that defines them. Some of the tea party type groups are also in the (c) 4 grouping, as a "social welfare" group.

The 501(c) 4 is the segment of the nonprofit world best known for organizations like Karl Rove's Crossroads GPS and the liberal group, Priorities USA. 501(c) 4's are in fact made up of over 86,000 mostly small organizations nationwide, some of which are almost certainly active participants in our own community's civic life. They weren't invented in the last election cycle; they've been around for generations. Their purpose isn't to hide donors; it's to advance policies. The big famous guys and the shady newcomers get all the attention, but they aren't typical of the sector, any more than Justin Bieber reflect the experience of the bulk of the people making a living in the music industry. It is true that political spending has skyrocketed since 2008 in the (c) 4 category and that some reform to those groups spending astronomical amounts of money for election purposes is warranted.

This tax status allows the MRF to "be involved in the political process" so long as the primary purpose of the organization is not partisan politics. Under the proposed rules we would be limited to doing work around elections and key votes. The IRS said in a hearing this past Wednesday that they have received an "unprecedented" number of comments and that the "rules would not be finalized anytime soon".

At this point it is not clear whether the government planned to change the rules for all 501(c) groups, including (c)(5)'s (labor unions) and (c) (6)'s (trade associations).

The new rule would limit what political activities the MRF and other (c) 4's could do before election dates. What would be considered a "political activity" is not known. It could be as simple as a meeting with an elected official on an issue important to their constituents, a get out the vote effort or even endorsement of candidates.

By confusing protected political speech with electioneering, this proposed rule would silence social welfare non-profit organizations for a minimum of 90-days during an election year. However, because the regulation applies to elections at every level of government, and some state and local governments host elections on odd years, or in differing months of the year, free speech for (c) 4 organizations conceivably could be restricted every year. This is unacceptable and out of line with our form of government. (c) 4 social welfare non-profit organizations serve a valuable role in society and it would be unjust to prohibit their speech. A final ruling could be years away.

The MRF will keep you updated on this issue.

Motorcycle Riders Foundation Congratulates ABATE of Illinois

On Wednesday, February 26th ABATE of Illinois made history. They successfully lobbied for a resolution that was passed by the State House of Representatives. The resolution throws the weight of the general assembly behind a federal bill that would conduct a scientific study on the effects of the new blend of fuel known as E15. This new blend is up from the previously approved blend of E10 fuel that contains up to

10% ethanol.

When the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued the waiver that allowed for the sale of E15 they did not study the effects of the blend on the internal components of an engine. In fact, motorcycles are not even on the list of vehicles approved by the EPA to use the new blend. Using the blend in a motorcycle, boat, lawn mower etc could be a violation of federal law as they were not included in the waiver.

The Illinois general assembly resolution supports H.R. 875, a bill in the United States House of Representatives that would halt the sale of E15 until an independent scientific study is conducted on the effects of E15 on motorcycles and every other vehicle. Representative Sensenbrenner (R-WI) sponsored the bill.

"This sends a crystal clear message to Washington. A top corn growing state is telling the EPA to do its homework" Said Jeff Hennie Vice President of Government Relations and Public Affairs for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). He added "The EPA never even considered what the E15 could do to a small air cooled engine or really any other engine except for a handful of passenger vehicles."

The MRF salutes ABATE of Illinois for their tremendous leadership and bravery. They continue to be one of the models of how a State Motorcycle Rights Organization (SMRO) should work.

Motorcycle Checkpoint Bill Introduced in U.S. Senate

The United States Senate is seeking to end the unfair practice of federally funded motorcycle-only roadside checkpoints, reports the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) has introduced legislation, which would further prohibit the federal government from funding mandatory motorcycle-only roadside checkpoints. Joining her as the lead republican on the bill is Senator Ron Johnson. Also joining, as original co-sponsors, are Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV) and Kelly Ayotte (R-NH).

The federal government funded motorcycle-only checkpoints through a \$70,000 grant in 2011. Georgia state police conducted two mandatory motorcycle only checkpoints. They timed the checkpoints with Daytona Florida bike week traffic setting up on the southbound lanes of I-75 and I-95 on March 9th 2012, the same day Daytona bike week began. They did the same setup during the closing day, but set up in the northbound lanes.

The MRF supports this legislation to end these checkpoints wholeheartedly and will be working with the United States Senate to pass this important legislation.

"Motorcycles are an important part of New Hampshire's identity and economy," Shaheen said. "These checkpoints unfairly target motorcycle riders who already have their vehicles inspected and registered just like all motorists. We don't have checkpoints that stop cars to check their tire pressure and we shouldn't for motorcycles either."

"We commend Senator Shaheen for taking on this troubling and important issue," Said Jeff Hennie, Vice President Government Relations for the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. "To use taxpayer dollars to inconvenience motorcyclists is a practice that should be stopped immediately and we look forward to working with both Senators Shaheen and Johnson to accomplish that."

Some states are addressing this issue by either prohibiting any motorcycle-only checkpoints, such as Missouri, Virginia, California, North Carolina, or prohibiting the state from receiving any federal dollars like they did in New Hampshire and Illinois.

The MRF urges you to contact both your U.S. Senators and ask them to co-sponsor this important piece of legislation; a bill number is expected soon. The MRF will keep you informed on this important issue.

You can reach the capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121

Connections



Missouri: Governor allows sale of E15 by administrative decree

Tell the governor and state

legislators that you oppose!

Gov. Jay Nixon (D-Mo.) has just instituted a policy to allow-- but not require—gasoline stations to sell E15 fuel. His administrative decree means that E15 fuel could become widely available in Missouri as soon as May 30.

The expansion of E15 (15 percent ethanol by volume) came about by administrative decree and not as the result of any law. When Missouri allowed E10 into the marketplace, it was because the legislature passed a law.

This action by Gov. Nixon is unprecedented.

Since 2011, the American Motorcyclist Association has repeatedly expressed concerns to government officials and federal lawmakers about possible damage to the estimated 27 million motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles currently in use in the United States by the inadvertent use of E15 fuel, which first became available at gas stations in 2013.

Tell the governor and your legislators that you demand access to safe fuels. Just follow the “Take Action” option to send a prewritten email today. The EPA has approved E15 for use in 2001-and-newer passenger vehicles but not for motorcycles and ATVs.

The bottom line is that this action by Gov. Nixon will allow E15 into the marketplace. However, it doesn't account for what real-world motorcyclists face, and that is that no motorcycle currently on the road is approved for E15 use, may void the manufacturer's warranty, and the risk of inadvertent misfueling is tremendous once it is available at the pump. Preventing these inadvertent misfuelings has been one of the AMA's main concerns because motorcycles and ATVs on the road and trail in the country today are not designed to run on ethanol blends higher than 10 percent, and many older machines favored by vintage enthusiasts have problems with any ethanol in the fuel.

Access to safe fuels for motorcycles remains an AMA priority, and we continue to be a watchdog for not only our members, but all motorcyclists, on this issue.

US Senators introduce legislation to end federal funding of motorcycle-only checkpoints

On March 5th U.S. Sens. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.), Ron Johnson (R.-Wis.), Kelly Ayotte (R.-N.H.) and Joe Manchin (D-W.Va.) introduced the Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act.

The bill would prohibit federal funding for motorcycle-only checkpoints, limiting the implementation of these discriminatory checkpoints.

Stop MOCs (https://cqrcengage.com/amacycle/app/write-a-letter?1&engagementId=39929&ep=AAAAC2F1c0NpcGhlcjAxVwRaP3m1SNJ0qX0Tpzph9OyTWnPuk1tXccDHuHHAYy6FnDFdxNb00-RXK9H74Cs9C76OG31_1iS-glac1wHOkw&lp=0)

Please click on the “Stop MOCs” link and enter your information in the fields at the bottom of the page and click the red submit button to send a prewritten letter to your senators asking them to support the Stop Motorcycle Checkpoint Funding Act by becoming a cosponsor.

During the past two years, federal, state and local governments spent more than a half million dollars on motorcycle-only checkpoints. The AMA believes that money could have been better spent on programs to prevent distracted driving or on rider education programs.

Go to <http://www.americanmotorcyclist.com/rights/motorcycleonlycheckpoints.aspx> to see the work the AMA's MOC

timeline.

This bill is similar to H.R. 1861, introduced by U.S. Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner last year.

The AMA applauds Sens. Shaheen, Johnson, Ayotte and Manchin for introducing this important bill and thanks them for the opportunity to address the concerns of the motorcycle community.

Federal agency and AMA member testify in support of bill to keep OHV area open

On March 6th American motorcyclist Association Member Scott Jones testified in front of the House Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation in support of H.R. 1839, the Hermosa Creek Watershed Protection Act.

This bill would designate certain federal lands within the San Juan National Forest as the Hermosa Creek Watershed Area and the Hermosa Creek Special Management Area. This land would receive additional protection under a new management plan to be developed by the U.S. Secretary of the Agriculture.

Additionally, the bill would guarantee future access to 70,000 acres to off-highway-vehicles – an area that may have potentially been closed under the new Resource Management Plan – by creating a Special Management Area for OHV use. This Special Management Area has an extensive trail system that would receive recognition under new land management plans.

Keep lands open for OHVs - https://cqrcengage.com/amacycle/app/write-a-letter?1&engagementId=42428&ep=AAAAC2F1c0NpcGhlcjAxCSFzG7hY15YObR3qMmOoV_YSGlxp0792MG954hyxK_xx_ly7pKD1ma8SaAsO0_wwU77jwtu-YkcqF1sEd16d_w&lp=0

Please follow the “Keep Lands Open for OHVs” button and using the form at the bottom of the page, please contact your representative and senators and ask them to support H.R. 1839 and S. 841.

More information on the hearing can be found at <http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=371053>

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- 6 Local 33 50 Hwy W April Fools Poker Run 660-441-0625
- 12 Local 9 Kearney Pool Tournament 816-550-8162
- 13 Local 24 St Louis Blessing of the Bikes 314-546-1624
- 19 Local 42 Franklin County Spring Poker Run 314-221-7164
- 27 Local 15 Branson Tri-Lakes Motorcycle Swap Meet / Auction 417-334-0775
- 27 Local 16 SEMO Awareness Ride 573-382-6415
- 27 Local 35 Golden Valley Spring Poker Run 660-351-3373
- 27 Local 29 North Kansas City Kearney Bike Show 816-809-7184
- 29 Rider Education 15th Annual Mike Sloan Awareness & You Ride 816-591-3478

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