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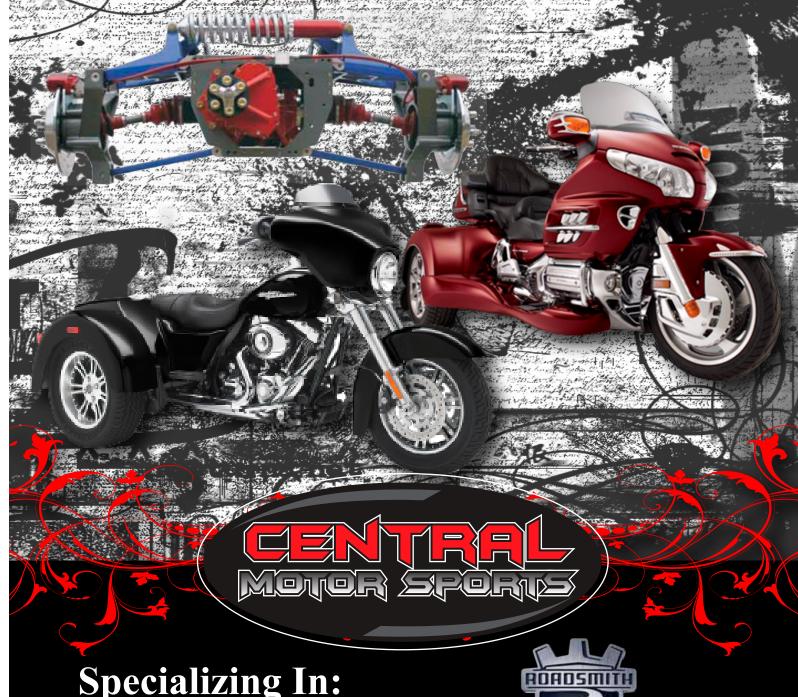
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Happy Labor Day!

Labor Day constitutes the contributions that workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our country. Hmmm interesting. So let us take time out and enjoy the day! The day is for us! We work our tails off all year to make a living and deserve to take a break from the everyday grind. The days of warmth and sunshine are getting to be less and less so get on out and go for that ride, head over to that bike night or whatever you haven't done yet, but wanted to get to this summer because times a wast-

THE STORY OF THE STORY

Make sure to check and see if your Ride Card is listed as a winner. The last month of winners will be listed in the October issue for the stops listed this month. Make sure to hold on to your Ride Card because we will be kicking it off again next year.

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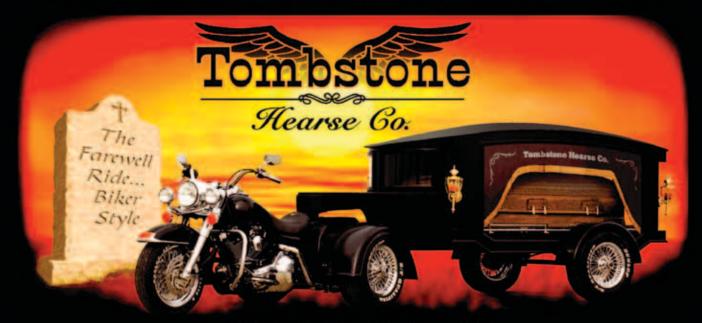
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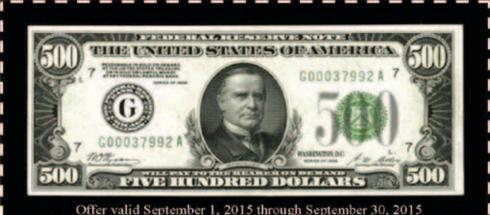
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Camp Liberty seeks to create safe haven for veterans with mental and physical disabilities

Rick Briggs has always been involved in charity work to help veterans, but when his son came back from Iraq with post-traumatic stress disorder, he knew more needed to be done for veterans. "A lot of guys put a gun in their mouth because they don't have hope. they don't have a purpose," Briggs said. "They need both hope and purpose to move forward." So, Briggs partnered with other volunteers to bring a shared dream to life.

The 137-acre campsite of Camp Liberty, once finished, will feature a welcome center able to house a large family for camping retreats. workshops and other activities for veterans. The property, near River Raisin in Brooklyn, Michigan, also will have a gazebo-style chapel, and multiple handicap accessible hunting blinds. Eighteen kinds of wildflowers and numerous animals cover the campsite.

Briggs' hope is that veterans will feel more comfortable in an outdoor environment and will open up more about their experiences while deployed. The main house is under construction, thanks to donations from sponsors and labor provided by Greater Jackson Habitat for Humanity. Shelly Hendrick Kasprzycki, executive director of the Greater Jackson Habitat for Humanity, said between two house constructions, the organization leaders realized they had the time to help build the main building for Camp Liberty.

Military families will be welcome to stay for a weekend and enjoy the relaxation and natural beauty, and groups of veterans will be invited to the campsite for workshops that will help will rehabilitation and social bonding. While Camp Liberty is not a medical facility, Briggs said there still are things that can be done to help veterans work on tasks such as fine motor skills and communication. Building fishing poles, lures and other crafts can all help veterans, he said. "Rather than just going in and doing physical therapy, they can do something they're interested in, and it makes the outcome of their treatment more profound," Briggs said.

Inviting counselors and medical professionals to the campsite will also be part of the plan. "If they're out here in blue jeans and boots, and they can come sit in a blind, they can get that vet to open up more and to talk about it," Briggs said.

That's where Christine Myran comes in. "We can't get these guys to come into a clinic to sit in a room," Myran, who is vice president of programs for After the Impact, a neuro rehabilitation facility that specializes in brain injury and PTSD treatments. "But if they're sitting in a blind or walking next to a stream, they tend to open up a lot more."

The campsite also will cater to veterans with physical disabilities, with the main building being handicap-accessible once completed.

Once homeless, vet 'speechless' at Redford Twp.

For someone who was once homeless. Thomas Frazier said getting the keys to his own house almost left him speechless."I really at a loss for words," he said. "I'm just really happy." Officials with

Bank of America and the human services nonprofit Southwest Solutions on Friday gave Frazier, 61, the keys to his newly renovated mortgage-free home in Redford Township and held a housewarming for him and his family.

As Frazier, his wife. Sharleeta, and their 8-month-old son, Thomas Jr., pulled into the driveway, they were welcomed by flags flying over the front lawn, "Welcome Home" signs and multiple rounds of applause, "This is a wonderful thing," Sharleeta Frazier, 37, said after entering her new home. "This is great. This is way more than Christmas." Charlotte, N.C.-based Bank of America and Detroitbased Southwest Solutions teamed up to give Frazier the home, mortgage-free.

Frazier, a Vietnam-era veteran, served as a combat medic in the Army. After being honorably discharged, he went to school to become a registered nurse. But in 2005, Frazier was diagnosed with abdominal cancer. Unable to work, he exhausted his savings and was left homeless.

In 2008, Frazier came to Emmanuel House, a Detroit nonprofit that provides human services to veterans. Once his cancer was in remission and he was back on his feet, Frazier began working at Emmanuel House, and he continues to help other veterans there.

Frazier said he plans to turn the basement into his "man-cave" and is already thinking about what kind of meals he'll be able to prepare in the kitchen. More importantly, he said, the new house is someplace where he and his family can make wonderful memories. One of the first things he plans to do is put a swing set in the backyard for his son. "It's a beautiful house," he said. "It's someplace where my son can grow up and really have the life he deserves."

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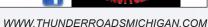
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The Souls of America

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Jack has a special place in his heart for our soldiers, and wanted to do what he can to help. The people that he met along the way felt his passion and sincerity about this project, and wanted to help make this

This exhibit would not have been possible without the selflessness of Chris Owner of Joy Manor Banquet Hall Westland, MI. Steve and Michelle owners of Framery One Farmington Hills, MI. Art Craft Display of Novi, MI for the display easels, Dr. Scott Heumann for the refreshments, and Clarence of The Wright Bowties, Detroit.

Next time you visit Tony's in Birch Run, you will see one of Jacks pieces displayed in the restaurant, thank you Mike. Also Attorney Jason Waechter in Southfield will have a print displayed there too, thank you Jason. These folks are all proud owners of a new piece of art as well as helped a great cause, Bob Currier, Deena Karavanis, Grant Allen, Bill Sanders, Bill Moller, Ken Germaine, Michelle Vernier and Robert Walker.

There are still some available- contact Jack Parinello at 313-702-4115 or email photographerjack@



























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10am-5pm:

10:30: Law enforcement skills competition **Buffalo Soldiers raffle drawing**

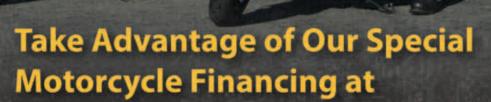
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The Motorcycle Lawyer on THE LAW **Back to School: The Biker Edition**

Can you believe it's already time for the kids to head back to school? While many parents are celebrating this time of year, a lot of us bikers are not quite as happy. Back-to-school season means more traffic and pedestrians, and it also represents the beginning of the end of the motorcycling season for another year. In keeping with the back-to-school theme. I wanted to use this month's article to present a few different education options, from motorcycle laws and motorcyclist's rights, to becoming a better biker, to what to do in the event of a crash; there are plenty of opportunities out there for bikers who

I have to admit, a lot of bikers don't think about motorcycle laws as "sexy" or even interesting topic. Of course, as The Motorcycle Lawyer, I disagree. And, even if it's not "sexy", knowing about your rights and the laws here in Michigan, or in any other states you might ride in, is really important. Nothing ruins a day on the open road guicker than getting pulled over for a violation you don't even know you're making! Providing free information about bikers' rights and the laws, both in Michigan and across the country, is something I do a lot of. Whether it's by social media, or on one of my websites or blogs, or even through these articles. I want to make sure that motorcyclists are aware of what they can and should be doing when they're on the roads. Recently, I started filming a series of law-oriented videos, providing advice about what to do if you're in a crash, information about helmet laws in Michigan and elsewhere, and many other topics.

The great thing about these videos, and the other information share, is that I get to answer YOUR questions directly, and share that information with a wider audience. For example, we've been getting a lot of calls lately from injured bikers in Arizona, so my most recent videos have been focusing on Arizona motorcycle laws and biker's rights. If you have questions about laws or your rights as a biker, contact me (information below). You never know, I might make your question into my next video!

If you're looking for more hands-on education, why not look into taking a Certified Rider Training course? Even if you took one already, there are all sorts of different classes available; refreshers, advanced riding courses, special classes focused on turning and braking techniques, you name it. No matter how long you've been riding, there are always new things to learn or try that could make your ride even better. I took a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) safety course through Schoolcraft College in Detroit. The Schoolcraft location offers a few different classes; for beginner riders or those who haven't been on a bike in a few years, they have a Basic, 3-Wheel Basic, or Returning Rider course. For bikers who have been on the road for awhile, they also offer an Advanced Rider course. You'll need your own bike for all but the basic course, and it will need to be registered, titled, and plated. I like the MSF classes offered by Schoolcraft so much that I donated one of my own motorcycles to the program last year, to help new riders get hands-on experience

Finally, do you know what to do if you arrive on the scene of a motorcycle crash? If not, I suggest you look into Accident Scene Management, Inc.'s, courses. Neither myself nor my firm is formally affiliated with Accident Scene Management, Inc. (ASMI), but I think that the work they do is so important, I actually put a member of my staff, Debbie Parinello, through EMT school so she could become an ASMI instructor. In addition to that, I also provide classroom space and information for a legal portion of the Bystander Assistance Course that Debbie teaches through ASMI. The Bystander Assistance Course teaches motorcyclists what to do in the event of a crash, including first aid, how to move an injured biker or their bike, and how (and when) to properly remove a rider's helmet*. The goal is to reduce the number of people injured or killed at the scene of a motorcycle crash, including rescuers, and to increase the effectiveness of first responders by training bystanders to tend to the injured until help arrives.

As the kids head back to school and summer begins to wind down, I encourage all motorcyclists to take advantage of the educational resources available to them that could potentially help keep them safe or improve their ride. In my opinion, you can never know too much or be too prepared. If nothing else, getting a biker education could be an easy and beneficial way to extend the riding season into the winter months.

To see my videos about motorcyclists' rights and motorcycle laws, check them out at youtube.com/TheMotorcycleLawyer1, or visit our website at www.TheMotorcycleLawyer.com

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On the farm lived a chicken and a horse, both of whom loved to play together. One day the two were playing, when the horse fell into a bog and began to sink. Scared for his life, the horse whinnied for the chicken to go get the farmer for

Off the chicken ran, back to the farm. Arriving at the farm, he searched and searched for the farmer, but to no avail, for he had gone to town with the only

Running around, the chicken spied the farmer's new Harley.

Finding the keys in the ignition, the chicken sped off with a length of rope hoping he still had time to save his friend's life.

Back at the bog, the horse was surprised, but happy, to see the chicken arrive on the shiny Harley, and he managed to get a hold of the loop of rope the chicken

After tying the other end to the rear bumper of the farmer's bike, the chicken then drove slowly forward and, with the aid of the powerful bike, rescued the

Happy and proud, the chicken rode the Harley back to the farmhouse, and the farmer was none the wiser when he returned.

The friendship between the two animals was cemented: Best Buddies, Best Pals....For Life!

A few weeks later, the chicken fell into a mud pit, and soon, he too, began to sink and cried out to the horse to save his life!

The horse thought a moment, walked over, and straddled the large puddle. Looking underneath, he told the chicken to grab his hangy-down thang and he would then lift him out of the pit.

The chicken got a good grip, and the horse pulled him up and out, saving his life. The moral of the story? (yep, you betcha, there IS a moral!)

"When You're Hung Like A Horse, You Don't Need A Harley To Pick Up Chicks."

A biker who has been out on the road for three weeks stops into a brothel outside Vegas.

He walks straight up to the Madam, drops down \$500 and says, "I want your ugliest woman you got in here and a bologna sandwich!!"

The Madam is astonished. "But sir, for that kind of money you could have one of the finest ladies here and a three-course meal."

Biker replies, "Listen sweetheart, I ain't horny, I'm HOMESICK."

A redneck was stopped by a game warden in middle Tennessee recently with two ice chests full of fish. He was leaving a secluded lake well known for its fishing.

The Game Warden asked the man, 'Do you have a license to catch those fish?' 'Naw, sir', replied the redneck. 'I ain't got none of them there licenses. You gotta' understand, these here are my pet fish.'

'Yeah. Every night, I take these here fish down to the lake and let 'em swim 'round for a while. Then, when I whistle, they jump right back into these here ice chests and I take 'em on home.'

'That's a bunch of b.s.! Fish can't do that.'

The redneck looked at the warden for a moment and then said, 'It's the truth Mr. Government Man. I'll show ya, it truly works.'

'O.K.', said the warden. This I've got to see!'

The redneck poured the fish into the lake and stood and waited. After several minutes, the warden says, 'Well?'

'Well, what?,' says the redneck.

The warden says, 'When are you going to whistle them back?' 'Whistle who back?'

'The FISH,'! yelled the warden!

'What fish?,' replied the redneck, "I thought we were just beholdin' the beauty of

I went fishing this morning but after a short time I ran out of worms. Then I saw a Cottonmouth with a frog in his mouth. Frogs are good bass bait.

Knowing the snake couldn't bite me with the frog in his mouth I grabbed him right behind the head, took the frog, and put it in my bait bucket.

Now the dilemma was how to release the snake without getting bit. So, I grabbed my bottle of Jack Daniels and poured a little whiskey in its mouth. His eyes rolled back, he went limp. I released him into the lake without incident and carried on fishing using the frog.

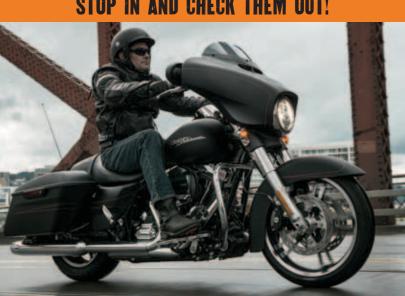
A little later, I felt a nudge on my foot. There was that same damn snake with two

A flight attendant was stationed at the departure gate to check tickets. As a man approached, she extended her hand for the ticket and he opened his trench coat and flashed her. Without missing a beat....she said,

"Sir, I need to see your ticket, not your stub."

One day Z-Man came home and was greeted by his wife dressed in a very sexy nightie. "Tie me up," she purred, "and you can do anything you want." So, he tied her up and went for a long ride on his Harley.

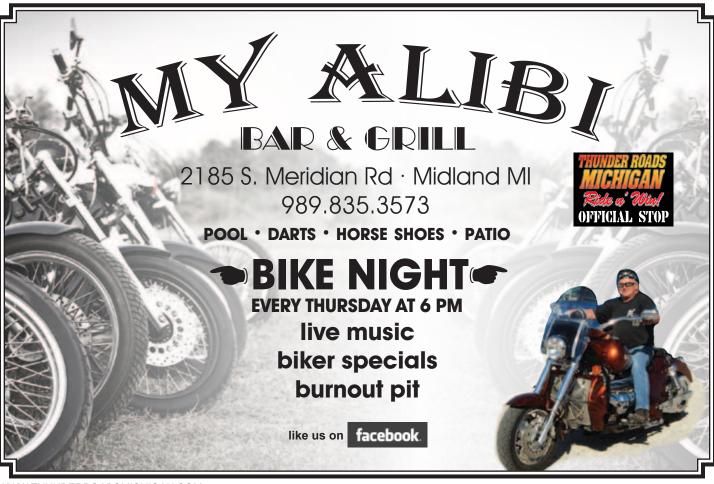




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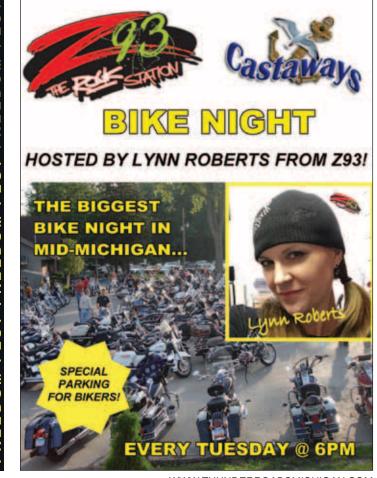
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For more info contact

Tom 269-254-7241



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH

Red Knights Firefighters MC Chapter MI-5

9th Annual Poker Run

THE LENOX TOWNSHIP PARK
63775 Gratiot Ave
(between 29 & 30 Mile Rd)

Registration 11am-Noon / Kickstands up at Noon

\$25 per person (includes Steak Dinner)

All Bikes Welcome

For more info contact

Chris 586-557-0892

or oldwiseass@yahoo.com

HISTORY OF MOTORCYCLES:



The importance of the motorcycle in The Great War is often overlooked, although the motorcycle was one of the most prolific tools in the Allied arsenal. Messengers on horseback were replaced by riders on motorcycles, and quickly became the most reliable source of communication in battle. Communications technology was highly unreliable during WWI, and based on the virtue of speed alone, motorcycles became the best way for the military to transfer orders, reports, and maps between units.

Now, I know what you're thinking... Riding is dangerous enough on any given day, so who the hell wants to do it in the middle of full blown combat? I have to admit, at first thought the motorcycle seems like an unlikely choice for combat equipment. It lacks armor, leaving the operator totally exposed and it can be quite easily damaged. But sometimes







what is needed in battle is speed and agility... and the nimble motorcycle was irreplaceable on the battlefield. Imagine the kahones on those guys (or maybe they were just nuts in general), but whatever the reasoning behind

the action, riding through shot and shell to secure victory is pretty damn impressive to me.

Motorcycles were used for more than just messaging in WWI. The versatility of these machines clearly helped them play a hugely significant role in the logistics of war...even more so than cars. In addition to dispatch and courier duties they were used for reconnaissance and patrol, as ammunition and medical supply carriers, and for casualty evacuation. They also modified motorcycles to act as field ambulances, as well as mounting machine guns to sidecars for combat.

When the US entered WWI, we brought motorcycles from several US companies to help on the front lines. The bulk of motorcycles came from Indian and Harley Davidson, but motorcycles produced by Excelsior, Henderson, and others also made it into battle in Europe. So what does all of this do to the motorcycle industry? Let's take a look at three key players from the start of the production era, and where they

end up at the end of WWI.

Harley Davison introduced the first side car in 1914, followed by a brief return to the use of chain versus belt driven motorcycles to help combat the problems associated with using leather belts. (The slippage, stretching, and rotting of leather belts was unacceptable to the manufacturer.) Some of these models were briefly



available with a two speed transmission in the rear hub. In 1915, Harley introduced the three speed sliding gear transmission with the final and primary drive on the same side. By 1917, one third of Harley Davidson production is purchased by the US Army. 1917 also brought about the creation of Harley's Quartermaster School, designed to train Army mechanics, the school was retained after the war as the Service School; providing factory trained mechanics for Harley Davidson dealerships. By 1918 almost half of all Harley Davidson motorcycles are sold for use by the US military, with a total of 20,000 motorcycles produced for the troops in WWI. After Armistice was signed, Corporal Roy Holtz became the first American soldier to enter Germany, and he did so, on a Harley.

During the war, Indian Motorcycles were continuing to grow. By 1914, Indian had over 3,000 employees working on a seven mile long assembly line in its Springfield, Massachusetts plant. This same year, Indian debuts the world's first motorcycle with electric lights and starter. By 1916, Indian has also introduced the 61 cubic inch Powerplus side valve engine. In 1918, Indian improves upon this by introducing the overhead cam, 4 valve per cylinder Powerplus model.



By the end of the war, Indian had supported the war effort with an incredible 41,000 machines.

Despite its strong connection to Germany, Triumph takes its place in WWI history on the Allied side. How's that for an uncomfortable partnership? In 1914, Triumph was chosen by Colonel Claude Holbrook to supply the Type H motorcycle for Allied military service. The Type H was the first motorcycle produced by Triumph without pedals, the first "true motorcycle" for the company. The Type H originally had a belt driven rear wheel and a 499 cc air cooled 4 stroke single cylinder engine. The re-vamped model H, in particular, was regarded by many as having been the first "modern motorcycle" introduced in 1915; it had a 550 cc side valve 4 stroke



engine with a 3 speed gear box and belt transmission. It was so popular that it gained the nickname "Trusty Triumph". Triumph would eventually contribute 30,000 motorcycles to the military over the course of WWI.

The versatility of motorcycles clearly helped them to play a significant role in the logistics of WWI...even more so than cars. Motorcycles were integral in the success of the Allied troops, and turned a relatively new and underdeveloped industry into a world-wide phenomenon. Next time we will take a look at post war motorcycle history, and how the Great Depression turned motorcycle production into a sink or swim industry.

Melanie Schwarte

~ Thunder Roads Magazine of Iowa





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All you need to do to get started is:

1. Go to any Registration stop listed on the map with a red star or on The Stops pages. If you already have your card from last year you do not need to register again. The Ride Cards do not expire so hold on to it. The information that you provide when you sign-up for your FREE Ride Card



only goes to me and will NOT be used for any other purpose than this contest. You will not have to provide any other personal information again after this. You will be handed your FREE Ride Card right then. It has a unique number on it- take note because that is YOURS and ONLY YOURS.

- 2. Once you have your Ride Card go to any or all of the stops listed this month and show them your card! Registration stops are also ride stops. There are also event stops each month. That stop will write your unique Ride Card number down. Let them know if you spend over \$10 there because your Ride Card number will get counted twice!
- 3. Check the following months issue to see if your Ride Card number is listed as a winner. You must check this each month as Thunder Roads staff will not contact you and let you know you won. If your Ride Card number is listed as a winner email MichiganThunderRun@gmail.com to claim your prize. In the email provide your name, address, phone number & Ride Card number. Again, the information only goes to us at Thunder Roads. Please note: You only have 45 days to claim your prize from the 1st the month it is listed in the magazine.

Make sure to pick-up your copy each month of Thunder Roads to see that month's Ride Stops and also to see if your Ride Card is listed as a winner!

Few Facts:

- Winners are randomly picked from each Registration/Ride Stop, Ride Stop & Event Stop each month.
- The more places you check-in the greater your chances are of winning a prize from that stop or one of our sponsors prizes; including the chance to win the Grand Prize of a 2015 Harley-Davidson Roadglide courtesy of Shiawassee Harley-Davidson!
- If you spend \$10 or more at any of the Registration/Ride Stops or Ride Stops your Ride Card number gets counted twice! Please note: The reason why this contest is FREE to you the rider is because our sponsors and stops. So we want to encourage everyone to support them in return. That is why we count your Ride Card number twice if you spend \$10 or more.
- You can check-in 1 time each week at each Registration/Ride Stop & Ride
- Riders are able to win multiple prizes based upon the drawing of their
- Some prize drawings are specific to only check-ins for the particular month while others prizes are drawn from check-in's season long.
- ALL CHECK-INS remain in the system for end of the season prizes!

2015 MICHIGAN THUNDER RUN RIDE N' WIN CONTEST



It's really that simple!

- 1. Get your Michigan Ride Card
- 2. Get the list of stops each month from your Thunder Roads Michigan Magazine's website
- 3. Ride out to these stops and show them your card.
- 4. And then you win cool prizes, including cold hard CASH!

Thunder Roads Michigan will also be registering riders for Ride Cards at specific events throughout the year as we distribute magazines. Key events; such as Harley Fest, Bikes on the Bricks or Bike Nights will have a special booth for Ride Card registrations. We will list these events each month on the Event Stops page in the magazine. In most cases, we will be offering special incentives to those checking in with their previously issued Ride Card at these stops.

Thunder Roads Michigan will also be working with charities and various nonprofit events to include them in the Run schedule as well. This will be an easy means of encouraging participation and attracting riders from outside the local communities. In many cases, we will have specific prize drawings for those at these events.

The Ride Cards will allow participants to easily and safely check in at all stops. Some Thunder Roads Michigan Sponsors will also be offering discounts to readers that present the cards. Thunder Roads Michigan will be listing special discounts and offers in the magazine throughout the year as an added value to readers and means of encouraging our partners to offer these extra savings.

PLEASE NOTE: Once you have received your MICHIGAN RIDE CARD, you will not be asked to provide personal information or emails at any location for check-in. You simply enter your ride card number!

This is not simply a "Chinese fire drill" or mad-dash across the state. This is a Ride program. It is meant to be a means for readers to discover new riding destinations and enjoy the ride there. In fact, we have designed the program to encourage folks to break out of their local routes and trek to the furthest

Just Get Out and RIDE!

We want to keep things exciting for you - the readers and riders on the run. We're bikers and it's all about the ride. We want to help create fun experiences for you and share some cool spots in our state. We have designed this run to entertain and challenge our readers – as well as promote our partners. If your business would like to be a stop or be a sponsor, please email us at MichiganThunderRunRide@gmail.com



YOU COULD WIN THIS 2015 HARLEY-DAVIDSON® ROADGLIDE SPECIAL

Receive an Exclusive Invite for a.... CHANCE TO WIN THIS BIKE!

Winners will be chosen randomly at any RIDE N' WIN stop or event stop throughout the summer!

Then bring your invite (Chrome Ticket) out to SHIAWASSEE HARLEY-DAVIDSON on NOV. 27th and/or NOV. 28th to try your chances with the LUCKY LOCK BOX!!! One entry per day.

No purchase or submission to sales presentation necessary. Purchase does not increase chance of winning. Void where prohibited. See complete rules available at Shiawassee Harley-Davidson. Contest begins 11/27/15 and ends 11/28/15. Open to legal U.S. residents, age 18 or older with a valid driver's license who received an original mail piece via U.S. Mail. Employees of Shiawassee Harley-Davidson, mail house, AHNO, associated sponsors or agencies, and their family members and members of same household are ineligible. Corestant must match a randomly selected winning number on file with AHNO and contained in the sealed security envelope to win corresponding prize. The act of opening the door of the vehicle vault does not constitute a winning attempt. Vehicle Vault will be displayed during normal business hours between contest dates at participating locations. Available prezes approximate retail value and odds of winning. 2015 H-D Read Glide Special \$24.175. 1:1.000.000. Maximum of one prize award available per prize level. In the event of a vehicle vaultifelectronic digital lock or locking mediated into ecotest is useful found on arrived the event of a vehicle vaultifelectronic digital lock or locking mediated into ecotest is useful found on a river. locking mechanism malfunction the contest is void and no prizes will be awarded. In event an error voids contest, promotion will be re-mailed at a future date. All validly claimed prizes will be awarded. Any unclaimed prizes will not be awarded. Sponsor not responsible for late, lost,



RIDING OUT OF STATE? If you ride to Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Delaware, Maryland or Washington DC, make sure to pick up a copy of Thunder Roads in each state and look for a Registration Stop to register for that state's ride card. Then check-in at any stop listed in that state's issue. You could win prizes in each state!

LET'S RIDE!

As we mentioned, this is a dynamic event – intended to be tweaked and developed over time. If you have ideas, suggestions, or concerns - please don't hesitate to let us know. You can email us at MichiganThunderRunRide@





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SEPTEMBER 4-6

11TH ANNUAL FREEDOM FEST

Iron Horse Bar & Grill, Akron, MI. (Event dates 2nd-6th), 5 live bands & dj each day, beer tent, rustic camping available, vendors welcome, hog roast, bike run, bike show & more. For more info FB Iron Horse Bar & Grill or call Rich 989-551-5440.

SEPTEMBER 12-13

9TH ANNUAL BIKES ON THE BRICKS

Saginaw Street, Downtown Flint, MI. (Event dates 11th-13th) Police skills competition, vendors, beer tent, music, police escorted ride on 12th. For more info go to www.bikesonthebricks.com (See cover & full page ad this issue).

SEPTEMBER 18

HARLEYS AT THE DRAGWAY

Milan Dragway, Milan, MI. Gates open at 5pm, \$12 race or watch, all bikes welcome, fun runs, vendors, biker games & more. For more info go to www.milandragway.com (See ad this issue).





For the month of August check- in at any of these stops and you could win the prize at that stop. Don't have a Ride card? You can sign-up for your FREE Ride Card at any of the stops listed with a Ride Card next to it (Ride Cards from last year are still good as they do not expire). Then check-in at any stop with your Ride Card to win that prize. Make sure to pick up the September issue (or view the magazine online at www.ThunderRoadsMichigan.com) to see if your Ride Card number is listed as a winner from this months stops. Sponsor prizes are randomly picked from event stops and stops listed below.



NORTH

12946 S. Straits Hwy, Wolverine, MI 49799. (231) 525-8737 Hours: M-Th 7am-11 pm, Sat & Sun 7 am-12 am. 1 lucky person wins gift certificate for a large

pizza. Bike Night Saturdays

BS & Co Bar & Grill

CoCo Cabana's

2355 South M-33, West Branch, MI 48661. (989) 345-1400 Hours: M-Th 11am-12am, Fri & Sat 11am-2am, Sun 12pm-12am. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gift card. Bike Night Thursdays, Tiki Bar & restaurant, outdoor

Gildner's Harley-Davidson

2723 S M-76, West Branch, MI 48661. (989) 345-1330 Hours: M-F 9-5:30, Sat 9-4, Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins a \$40 gift card.

North Country is the best place to ride to.

Maxwell Brothers Cycle Shop LLC

2469 US-31 North, Petoskey, MI 49770. (231) 347-2629 Hours: M-F 10-6. Sat 9-2. Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins choice of hat, shirt, hoodie, vest or helmet. A mom & pop shop, fast, friendly service.

Museum of Moses @ Vogel Store

9979 S. 8 mile Rd (Vogel center) McBain, MI 49657. (231) 825-2219 Hours: M-Sat 9:30 am-9 pm, Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins 2 choices of hat, shirt, coozie, patch, misc.

Awesome collection of vintage Harley's, hot food &

Sleeping Bear Motor Sports

9664 US Hwy 31 South, Interlochen, MI 49643. (231) 275-Bear(2327) Hours: M, T, Th, F 9-6, W 9-5, Sat 10-4. 1 lucky person wins \$25 gift certificate. Only authorized motorcycle resale shop in Michigan.

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We have the most beautiful Harley's in Northern Michigan.

Zips Harley-Davidson Mackinaw City

314 S. Huron St, Mackinaw City, MI 49701. (231) 436-5331 Hours: 10am-10pm everyday 1 lucky person wins a \$50 gift card. Known for our custom Mackinaw Bridge seasonal apparel, perfect destination hot spot.

THE STOPS



Zips Harley-Davidson Mackinaw Island

7271 Main St. Mackinaw Island, MI 49757. (906) 847-8888 Hours: Open May-Oct (please call for hours). 1 lucky person wins a \$50 gift card. The home of the "real horse" power.



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14100 Telegraph Rd, Taylor, MI 48180. RIDE CARD (734) 947-4647 Hours: M-F 10-7, Sat & Sun 10-5. 1 lucky person wins a \$50 gift card. Metro-Detroit's full-service destination dealership that takes pride in fulfilling dreams of personal freedom.

Brighton Harley-Davidson

5942 Whitmore Lake Rd, Brighton, MI 48116. (810) 225-2915 Hours: M-F 10-7, Sat 10-5, Sun 11-4. 1 lucky person wins a \$50 gift card. Come see our new 15,000 sq. ft. showroom.

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RIDE CARD 9550 Woodlane Dr, Dimondale, MI 48821. (517) 646-2345 Hours: M-F 10-6, Sat 10-3, Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins a \$50

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340 N. Larch, Lansing, MI 48912. (517) 484-6413 Hours: M-F 9-6, Sat 9-1, Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins a t-shirt. Show your Ride Card & receive 10% off. Come see us because it's the best damn shop in Michigan!

Cornwell's Turkeyville

18935 15 ½ Mile Rd. Marshall, MI 49068. (269) 781-4293 Hours: 11am-8pm everyday. 1 lucky person wins choice of t-shirt or \$10 gift card. Bike Night Wednesdays

(F.A.I.T.H. Riders) Merriman Road Baptist Church

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Come see why it's a great ride to the gateway of Michigan.

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1765 S. Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 920-2000 Hours: M, T, W, F, Sat 9-6, Th 9-8. 1 lucky person wins a shirt or hat.

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Great selection of motorcycle & western apparel, accessories, boots & more.

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49110 Grand River, Wixom, MI 48393. (248) 449-9667 Hours: M 11am-2am, T-Sun 9am- 2am. 1 lucky person wins a \$30 gift card.

Bike Nights Thursdays, hot girlz, cool beer, great food.

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6603 Eastman Rd, Midland, MI 48640. (989) 837-6836 Hours: Sun-Th 11am-11pm, Fri & Sat 11am-12am. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gas card. Show your Ride Card and receive a Free pub chips & dip with any purchase (may check-in one time a week).

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Specialize in service & repair of virtually any/all motorcycles. ATV's, dirt bikes & snowmobiles.

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C & S Sports Center

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A great destination ride & the Low Rider Café right next

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3940 Boy Scout, Bay City, MI 48706. (989) 686-3558 Hours: M-Th 11am-12am, Fri & Sat 11am-2am, Sun 12pm-12am. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gift card. Bike night Tuesdays.

2471 W. Parish Rd. Midland, MI 48642, (989) 662-7361 Hours: Mon-Sat 10am-2am, Sun 12pm-12am. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gas card.

A great spot to hideaway, hog pit bbg Thur & Sun 12pm-8pm.

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215 W. Saginaw, Hemlock, MI 48626, (989) 642-2546 Hours: Everyday 11am-2am. 2 lucky people will win a \$25 gift certificate each & a t-shirt.

Bike night Thursdays- 50 cent wings, can beer \$1, domestic bottle \$2 4pm-7pm.

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3850 S. Huron Rd (M-13), Bay City, MI 48706, (989) 686-0400 Hours: M-F 10-6. Sat 10-3. Sun closed. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gift card. Visit a Harley Shop, not just a dealership.

Iron Horse Bar & Grill

3592 Main St, Akron, MI 48701. (989) 691-5761 Hours: Everyday 11am-2am. 1 lucky person wins their choice of a long sleeve shirt or t-shirt.

Bike Night Wednesdays- specials, happy hour, thumbs largest biker bar.

4749 E. Pickard St. Mt. Pleasant. MI 48858. (989) 317-4749 Hours: M-Th & Sat 7-3. Fri 7-9. Sun 8-3. 1 lucky person wins a \$25 gift card. Ride in empty & roll out full, next door to C & S Sports Center.

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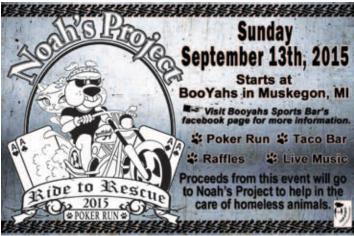
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We must believe that we are gifted for something, and that this thing, at whatever cost, must be attained. ~ Marie Curie

Too many of us are not living our dreams because we are living our fears. ~ Les Brown

Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful. ~ Joshua J. Marine

Biker Poem by Jody Mo

Been riding all day at one with my bike I'm living life my way keeping the freedom in my sites

Live to ride Ride to live that's just what I'm doing when I'm on my pig

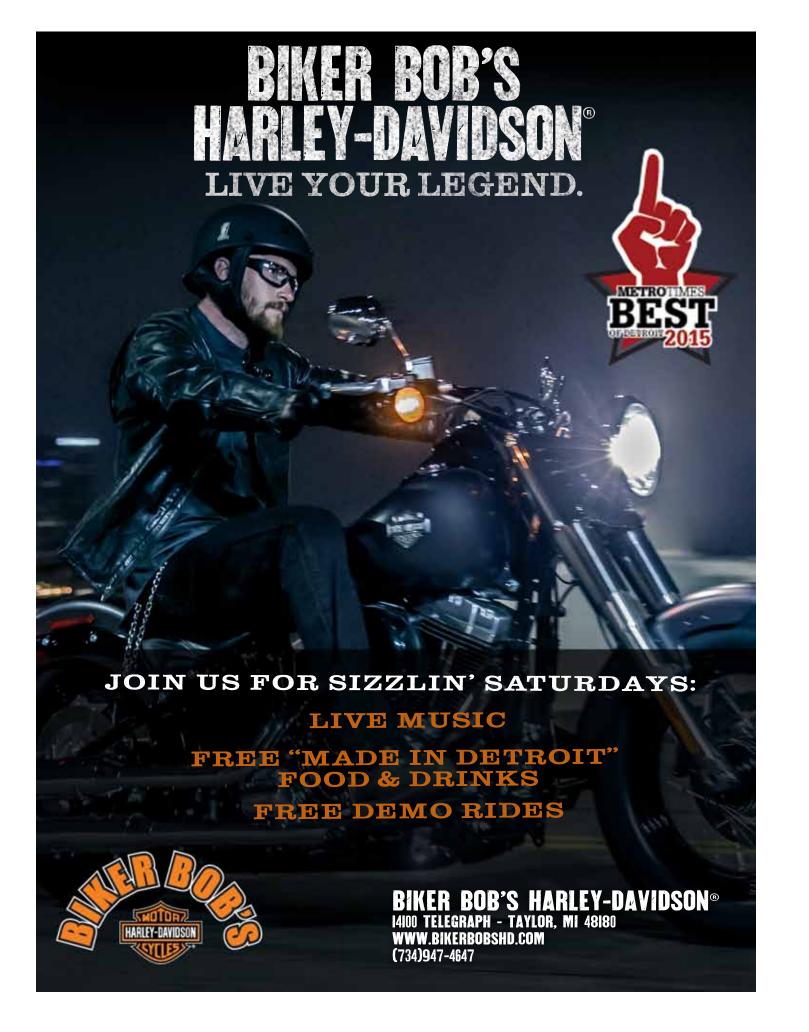
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Greetings friends!!! Hope you've had an awesome riding season so far!

This month, I'm going to write about a topic that can get touchy but I will do my best to not stir the proverbial pot too much!

Jesus said in John 3:16 16 "For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

Did you see that first part? "For God loved the world..." this means everyone. Not just the so-called "pretty people", but the ones that society, religious people and religious institutions reject as unworthy, like the prostitute, drug addict, alcoholic, adulterers, homosexual and even us bikers. Now don't send me a bunch of nasty email because I didn't list your sin... My point here is that Jesus didn't just come for the clean cut; He came for all of us!!

Ya see, Jesus put it this way in Mark 2:17 ... "Those who are well don't need a doctor, but the sick do need one. I didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Listen, sin is a short word for missing God's mark. So a sinner is... well... all of us. Romans 3:23 puts it this way "For all have sinned and fall short of the alory of God,"

Now, don't get me wrong God does not condone our sins. He forgives them when we repent, which means that we actually turn away from the sin in our lives. But, even if we don't repent, HE STILL LOVES US. Romans 5:8 says "But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners. Christ died for us!"

This is awesome news for us... no matter what we've ever don't or said, God, in His infinite mercy, forgives us. Not because of the good things we tried to do to out way all the bad things we did. But on what Jesus did on our behalf.

There are so many that condemn certain groups of people because of a specific chosen lifestyle. But, most of us don't know that most of them were deeply hurt when they were very young and out of that hurt (offense) they made a choice to live that way.

My point is that condemning, name calling, ridiculing and just out right cursing people doesn't draw them to Jesus - who is the only one that can set

Ya see, the truth is God is love and He is good, not bad. He loves you and is ready, willing, and able to give you peace when you repent and truly turn

Finally, the bible says in Psalm 100:5 "For Yahweh [The Lord] is good, and His love is eternal: His faithfulness endures through all generations."

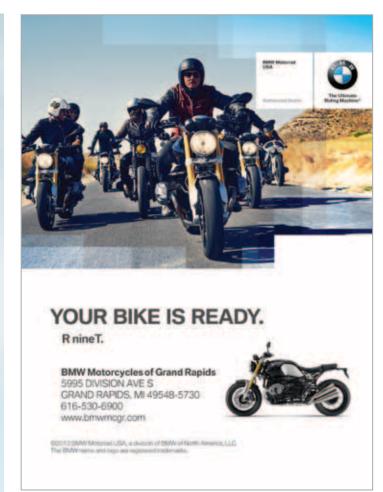
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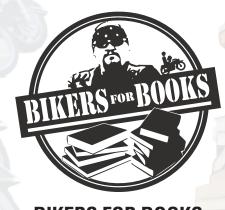
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My name is Fern and I am around 8 years old. My first 8 years of life were spent confined in a basement and long overdue haircut, nail trim and vet care. It's taken me some time to understand why someone wants to pet me and what it's like to run free in the grass, but

My name is Paris and I am around 3 years old and a Rat Terrier Mix. My life until rescue wasn't very nice. I was kept in a home with lots and lots of other dogs. Because there were so many of us we didn't receive any care, love or affection. The lack of care caused me to have a serious skin condition that is being treated I'm really a very sweet and just want to be s

Hey there, my name is Sabrina and I'm arou

the neighbor to take care of us...whatever that meant. have found their forever homes and I wait for mine. I may look all big and bad but I'm super friendly and just that I get a bit overly enthusiastic. All I want is to hang with someone and be their best friend.







My name is Callie and I'm a young Pit Bull Terrier and Mastiff Mix. Don't let my looks fool you; I'm a sweet girl. was in a shelter where they were going to put me to sleep, and STAR rescued me. I've had some training to nelp me with my manners and will need someone that is experienced to be my guardian. That doesn't mean that I can't provide you with years of love, affection and undying loyalty. There is a lot of heart in me, and I want meone to share my life with



Hello my name is Nora and I'm a 4 mo. old Pit Bull Ter rier mix, though honestly, I see some lab and not a lot of The mix, though nonestly, I see some lab and not a lot of the pit. I am a little shy at first, but I warm up to you quickly. Though I'm a puppy, I'm pretty low key and not real high energy. My foster family found me running down the road where someone dumped me because they couldn't be bothered with my anymore. Now, I'm getting least of flows care and integrating. All users is to be lose.



My name is Romeo and I'm a Lab/Shepherd mix. I'm the last of my brothers and sisters to be looking for a home. I'm very shy and it can take a little time for me to warm up to you, but when I do, I'm like glue. I'm working on not being so nervous around new people because I don't always show how scared I am in a way they understand. My foster mom is working with me, but I will need an experienced special guardian. I know ny BFF is out there somewhere please find me soon.



Nora









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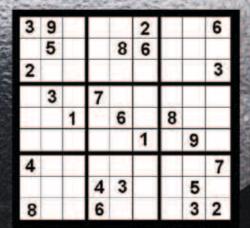


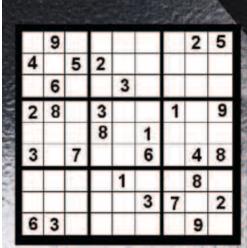
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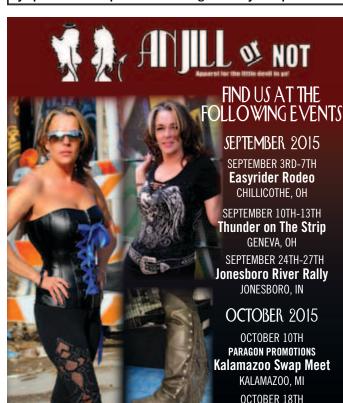
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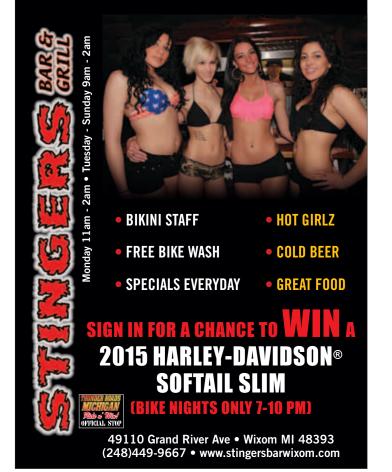


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Most bike rallies have their own vibe kick stand, I was immediately in rally self hanging out with a dude named that makes the event unique, with a history that grows as the years cruise from the heavy heads, coffee conby. This year marked the 10th anniver- sumption, and general lethargy that sary of the Ogemaw Hills Bike Week and while 10 years doesn't exactly sound like a legacy, the rally has been me, Jody Mo had the TR booth set up going strong for some 30 years in the and all I had to do was figure out how great state of Michigan. . Each year in July, Michigan riders return to the West Branch area to ride in the hills, catch up with old friends, and Party all

This year I got an early start on things trees. The fish fry down at Ty's campand arrived at the rally in the morning. The ride up provided an opportunity to and fish from our Great Lakes. This enjoy the scenery, clear the head, and have a little conversation with myself about how I was going to throttle back a bit and actually remember the weekend. I find it very easy to lie to myself and this conversation (like so many others) was no exception..... Once I got the camp site and put down the

mode and ready to go. It was obvious the night before had been a lively one the Thunder Roads crew. Luckily for to put my damn tent together and let the good times roll.

By Friday night, the campground was day. Actually, if I went into all the really energized with parties, music, and roaring pipes echoing between the site provided all sorts of fried goodies is a yearly tradition. All sorts of exotic cocktails flowed freely and a good time was had by all. For the last couple years, I have noticed an increase in ummm, well let's just say high octane brew and this year was no exception. Moderation is the key in this area and you should be fine, but if you find your-

Rusty and his special "water cooler" you could be in trouble. Just say'n.

This year's Rally had plenty of music with Bob Seger and AC/DC tribute bands on the main stage and the great 25 Cent Beer Band in the party tent. On Saturday, biker games, a bike show, and tattoo contest offered plenty to do and observe during the events, races, and vendors at this vear's week long Hill's Rally I would quickly run out of room and ink. Ogemaw Hills is not a one night stand and I don't know anybody who doesn't have a tale to tell about this rally from days gone by. Personally, I like the vintage bikes, learning about the origins of the Jack Pine Enduro and talking with the riders who rode like hell back in the day. If you're into camping and riding in Michigan, then needless to say, this is the event for you. Who knows,



Suppose They Held a Rally and Nobody Came?

BY Kerry Klug

If you've been coming to Ogemaw Hills Bike Week for a while and were there this year you like a lot of people probably were looking around and saving where is everybody? The crowd looks down this year. Well, you'd be right! It was down this year. And so it then begs the question "will they have one next year"? I was in fact, asked this question many times from people there as I was circulating the grounds selling ice. Many commented that they'd been coming to the rally for many, many years and didn't want to see it go away. Lots of folks had been coming to it since the H-D dealers had started it so long ago so we're talking 29-30 vrs of history at the West Branch location depending on your math and your memory! Many asked, "Where do you think everyone is this year?" and "What can I (we) do to help? So to answer those two questions as Jody Mo and I were talking about this we thought it might be a good time to enlighten folks on just what it takes to (attempt to) organize an event the caliber and size of OHBW.

First thing, everyone ought to know is, OHBW is completely organized by UNPAID VOLUNTEERS. Let me repeat that, so everyone gets that OHBW is organized by UNPAID VOLUNTEERS! Now, having said that, the board of directors for this event consists of 9 members and a sec.OHBW is a 501c3 non-profit organization. We start meeting once a month the first month after the rally is over when we can all stand to be in the same room together again. We meet every month throughout the year until the rally gets closer, then every two weeks and then every week 2-3 weeks before the rally. Also, someone from the group will need to go to more meetings with the fair board to get a date set on their calendar and negotiate the amount (it's huge) we'll pay to rent the grounds for the week



and conditions of the lease. The first meetings after the rally we focus on: how we did this year. what we should change, do we have enough money to pay all the bills, and who is coming and going on the board. Once ideas for the next rally are discussed and as many things as possible are decided it's time to start looking for bands that can be afforded what night they will play. We contact the Professional Hill Climb Assn to get on their schedule, and then we start working on the hundreds of small details. The current system is that every member of the board has their certain part of the event they take care of. Sounds simple so far right? Each day of the event has hundred of details that have to be checked and double-checked. There are so many hours that go into preparing for the gate for example Frankie spends days getting ready ordering wrist bands shirts, radios, loading it all in trailers, lining up wood, ice, golf carts and all the parts just to get in the door!

While others have already spent many hours, sometimes days, getting the tracks ready (lots of good old fashioned tractor work), putting up fencing and tents, getting porta johns lined up, and calls to the VFW for food vending -holy crap were having a race here Sunday! Then there's the insurance! Woe baby, do you need a lot of insurance to have a rally with two races. That whole process starts after the first of the year when the AMA charter is renewed allowing sanctions to be pulled, a ton of forms are filled out and submitted to the AMA in Ohio to wait for the quote. Then since AMA PRO RACING is owned by Daytona Motorsports Group of Daytona Beach Fla. (vep the same people that own NASCAR) the insurance is different and comes after the main rally Insurance is obtained. Once you've gotten the dates set, grounds rented, insurance secured, and then you try to figure out your bands and any other attractions and shows. So you can get some flyers made and then guess what -its swap meet season! So we figure out who can go to which ones, get a space and spend even more time on our weekends to make the motorcycling public aware we are in fact, having a rally and what's going on at it!

Before you know it, the rally week is here and most of the board members take part and in some cases the whole week off of work (that's right more UNPAID time) to make it happen! Tents up, stages set, dance floor down or as Buggs Bunny always said "On with the show this is it" Lots of volunteers help by running the gate and with as many daily chores as possible all organized by yet someone giving up their time to do that. The week flies by like a blur and sun is here and every one is packing up to go home, all but the board members who — yep you guessed it, are still there cleaning up the mess, repairing the damage, tearing down

everything, putting away the burnout pits, and whatever's left for another year. In this year's case, it was Thursday afternoon when we were all finished. Four more half days, cutting into our workweeks, more time -no pay. Now it's time to wait a month to give the bean counter time to see if we made enough after paying all the bills to start it all over again.

Now speaking of paying the bills we hear a lot of questions/comments about the camping so let me take this opportunity to clear that up for you all. The camping fee GOES TO THE STATE OF MICHI-GAN. We would love to keep that money and could surely use it. Even though we rent the whole grounds and it is already a state campground, the state charges an additional fee because... we are "gasp" camping there! So you figure that one out! You can thank Jennifer Grandholm for that one. We also hear a lot of varied comments on the golf cart issue, but honestly there aren't as many in there as one would think, they slow down hot rodders, something we like and there's 140 acres there so it's too much to walk all the time and to hard to haul stuff on a bike to set up field events. etc. In the end, we do more motorcycle related things at our rally than any other one out there! A lot of people ask about getting bigger music acts, but to be honest, they are just too expensive and we don't have enough attendance to support them. So we do what we can, and no. KID Rock won't

Which brings us the the second question we started with earlier WHERE THE HELL WAS EVERYBODY THIS YEAR?? I think a lot of folks were prepping to go to Sturgis 75; some went to Faster Horses, some well, who knows? I heard many times "we don't want to see this rally go away". We don't either, but nothing makes it harder each year than not making enough money to keep it going, which then makes it hard on the many charities we help and I'm talking a lot of charities. As I said earlier. we are a 501c3 and help with as much as we can, but that's not why we do it, we do it because we all love motorcycles and all aspects of the sport. If you are reading this you probably know somebody who went to OHBW and also someone who didn't. we hope you both come next year. We are lucky to have been able to pick up the ball the Michigan H-D Dealers Assn gave us; I just hope we can keep it going. I, you love this rally! It's as much your rally as it is ours, so get involved if you can. We need the help and if you're coming next year -bring somebody who loves motorcycles with you.

Well, looks like another weekend with time invested in this thing just sitting down to write all this! We thank Jody Mo for letting us fill ya in on a few things and hope to see you all next year. Till then, I think I'll go for a ride ir

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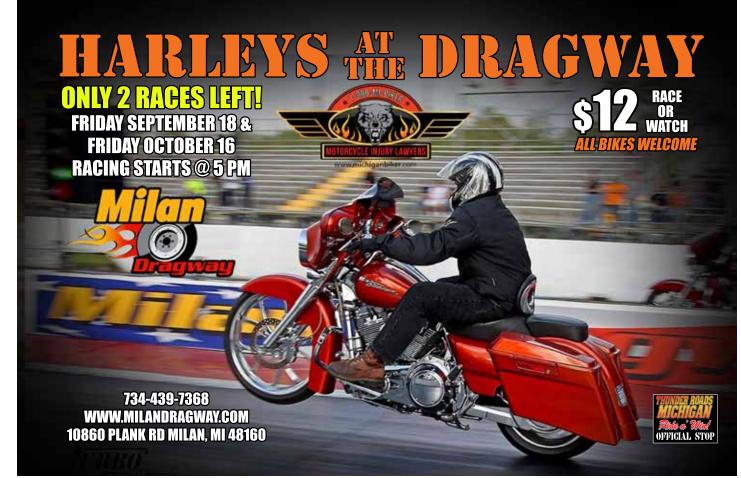
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In 2010, we discovered this abandoned pet cemetery with a large monument in the center honoring the "War Dog" from WWII. Through our research, we found that the cemetery was established in 1936. After 2158 pets and two services dogs were interred, the cemetery was abandoned in the mid 1980's and nature took over. A cleanup mission and plans for restoration were put in place to bring this hallowed ground back to its former grandeur. As we continued our research, we found that there were approximately 36 war dog memorial monuments throughout the United States, however only a few offered interment for these four legged veterans.

In 2012, we formed a non-profit organization called "The Michigan War Dog Memorial, Inc." offering interment for service dogs only. Due to federal rules and regulations, Military dogs are not allowed to be buried in our National Cemeteries. We also found that in the State of Michigan there are no established memorial cemeteries for Police K-9's.

Our goal is to give these well trained and loyal K-9's a final resting place with honors. It's up to us to show respect for these brave and loyal K-9's who risked their lives to protect and serve our country and communities. Since 2013, we have buried Six Military K-9's and Three Police K-9's.

Our burials consist of a Military/Police Color Guard escort to the Table of Honor, Invocation, K-9's bio, flag presentation, taps, bagpiper and German Shepherds perform a "K-9 Salute". An etched headstone is included at no cost to the handler/owner. This is our way of showing respect.

It is our mission to develop this site into a park setting and continue the improvements through corporate sponsors, grants and private donations.



THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF OUR MAJOR GOALS:

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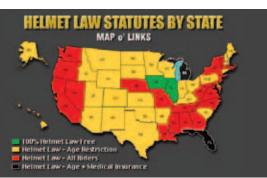
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MOTORCYCLE HELMET USE



Motorcycle helmet laws vary widely among the states and have changed a lot in the past half a century. Currently, 19 states and the District of Columbia have laws requiring all motorcyclists to wear a helmet, known as universal helmet laws. Laws requiring only some motorcyclists to wear a helmet are in place in 28 states. There is no motorcycle helmet use law in three states (Illinois, Iowa and New Hampshire).

In the past, many more states had universal helmet laws, thanks to pressure from the federal government. In 1967, states were required to enact helmet use laws in order to qualify for certain federal safety programs and highway construction funds. The federal incentive worked. By the early 1970s, almost all the states had universal motorcycle helmet laws. However, in 1976, states successfully lobbied Congress to stop the Department of Transportation from assessing financial penalties on states without helmet laws.

Low-power cycle is a generic term used by IIHS to cover motor-driven cycles, mopeds, scooters, and various other 2-wheeled cycles excluded from the motorcycle definition. While state laws vary, a cycle with an engine displacement of 50 cubic centimeters or less, brake horsepower of 2 or less, and top speeds of 30 mph or less typically is considered an low-power cycle. Twenty-three states have motorcycle helmet laws that cover all low-power cycles. Twenty-four states and the District of Columbia have laws that cover some low-power cycles.

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WE AT THUNDER ROADS MAGAZINE WOULD LIKE TO SAY





Composed & edited by: Toni McCoy Shearon aka "Thunder MaMa" of Thunder Roads National Founders' Office.

I have chosen this name for our monthly recipe page, as that was what my mother, rest her soul, always used to say when I would assist her in the kitchen.

Mom was an avid supporter of the K.I.S.S. (KEEP IT SIMPLE SWEETIE) method of cooking. I now, more than ever, truly appreciate

her philosophy of always taking shortcuts where you can, as long as your ultimate outcome is that of down home, labor of love cooking.

BACON WRAPPED ALA'MODE MINI MEATLOAVES

1/2 of a pound of Apple Hardwood Hickory Bacon (when cooking in big quantities, I always lay out cold on a cookie pan cooling rack and place the rack back in pan and cook at 475 degrees for apprx. 15 minutes. You'll see your desired done-ness. Remove and place pan on stove for safety, then transfer to a paper towel lined platter and let all get good & crispy. Now, let's go get the groceries:

1 Pkg. of Ground Beef; it's the bigger package like maybe over 2 lbs. Place in large plastic bowl and add:1 tsp. Thyme (dry ingredients work very well, just rub between fingers or palms as incorporating to wake up! the flavor. Go onto add 3 Tbls. Worcestershire sauce and 1 Large Farm Fresh Egg (beaten).

I also added level Tbls. of Cayenne and 1/2 Cup of Apricot Preserves. Add: 1/4 Cup of Parsley; again, dried is good choice. "IF" you have a Farmer's Market that you support, YAY!, but FM's are more pricey but then, the quality is far superior, but I've cooked w/ dry ingredients my whole life and on occasion, when I can get the fresh at a good price, damn straight, I get it. But we work with what we have, yes? I also add a can of Ro-Tel diced tomatoes for a little kick. Salt & Pepper to your taste; along with either minced garlic or garlic salt and a good dash of Nutmeg. Now, I chop one large onion into large chop pieces and satuee' with sliced shrooms'. Get a good char on them so they have that marvelous charred taste. The best way to do this is just get in there and begin squishing your mix all between your fingers. You must get personal with your cooking or it will definitely show by tasting totally de-personalized. Once everything is incorporated well; go ahead and take big size of palmfulls to make (4) mini meatloaves, laid out on one foil covered cookie pan sprayed with butter spray. Shape them so they're narrow and tall; just a mini version of your big one. Cook at 375 degrees 65 mins. Remove from oven and this is your call, but I lay down my favorite type of cheese as a glue essentially, let that go back in over for 5 mins., then cover every single mini meatloaf with bacon ALL over it. Back in over for 5 mins and then out and let cool for a solid 15 mins, before

These are SO good! And, who doesn't love their very own mini meatloaf?

My, My, My....Just a PLAIN OLE'

2 - 14 ounce cans of your favorite brand of tomatoes or fresh; Roma, Sans Marzano, Heritage, but the best I've ever had is a hybrid brand called Celebrity. Our neighbor down the road thankfully grows these so when you can get them, load up and bottle up sauces by the case load. You'll be so glad you did come winter.

1 small sweet onion; chopped and 1 tsp. dried basil

1 -1/2 cups of cornbread stuffing mix.

TOPPING

1-1/2 cups shredded (real) Mozzarella cheese; (if you prefer Cheddar, then use Cheddar....use what tastes best to you. It's your recipe). Add 1 cup of quality mayonnaise 1/4 cup of cornbread stuffing-mix, 1/4 tsp. of dries basil and actual, real basil leaves.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In large bowl mix together the filling ingredients until combined and transfer to a 9x9 sprayed glass casserole dish. In another bowl, mix together the topping ingredients and evenly distribute over the casserole dish. Bake for 30-40 minutes or until melty gooey and golden brown on top. Remove from oven, cover, and allow to cool long enough to slice in a firm slice, no gooeyness; apprx. 12 minutes. This is divine whether hot from the oven or chilled from the fridge. You can make it early and just cover it and let everyone eat from throughout the day. This is simple and it is divine.

FARMER'S MARKET STRAWBERRY DIPPER'S DELIGHT

25 X-Large Strawberries; hulls removed (this means tops and interior removed completely, although very carefully).

In another medium glass bowl melt down a full carton of Philly Whipped Cream Cheese, 1 Tablespoon of Vanilla and 3 Tablespoons of Confectioner's Sugar. Also need 1 Cup of Almonds; chopped fine in the blender.

Nuke Cream Cheese for 30 seconds so totally soft. Whip in the vanilla & sugar. In the center of each strawberry, using a sharp knife, make a hole in each one, as deep as you can without going out the bottom. Spoon or pipe the filling into each hole. Dip cheesecake end of strawberry into chopped almonds, making sure you completely cover the cheesecake filling with the nuts. Lay strawberries in a pretty serving dish. Sprinkle with any leftover nuts around the dish. Chill for at least 45 minutes and serve.

These are the perfect little accompaniment to any occasion you're having. Make enough!











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September 3-7

Chillicothe- Easyriders Rodeo Tour Ross County Fairgrounds, Chillicothe, OH. All tickets sold at gate, anyone under 18 is not allowed, free bike parking. Motorcycle rodeo, live entertainment & more. For more info go to easyridersevents.com or call 800-962-9857

September 5

Open House

Sandy's HD, Fremont, MI. 9-2pm demo rides, flag ceremony, pig roast, music & more. For more info go to sandysharley-davidson.com (See ad this issue).

September 9

2 Million Bikers to DC Leaving to Washington D.C.

Cabela's 110 Cabelas Blvd. East, Dundee, Ml. Kickstands up 11am. Event Page Facebook: 2 Million Bikers to DC MI. For more info call David Fortier 989-418-6169 State Coordinator

September 11

A Night of Thunder & Fire (911 Tribute) Ida American Legion Post 514, Ida, MI. 6pm-?, all bikes welcome, food, drinks, music, raffles. Benefits Michigan Freedom Center, Detroit Metro Airport & GR Veterans Home. For more info call Wayne 734-241-9131

September 11-13 9th Annual Bikes on the Bricks Saginaw Street, Downtown Flint, MI. Police skills competition, vendors,

beer tent, music, police escorted ride on 12th. For more info go to bikesonthebricks.com (See cover & full page ad this issue).

September 11-13 Caiun Thunder Rally No Problem Raceway, Belle Rose, LA. \$40 weekend pass at gate or Sat only \$25, Sun \$10. Quiet Riot, Angel Siren, Geneva all headlining & more. Partial proceeds to Wounded Hero Project. For more info go to cajunthunderrally.com

New Product Workshop Wolverine HD, Clinton Township, MI. 1pm by parts dept. For more info go to wolverinehd.com (See full page ad this issue).

September 12 Fall Open House ABC HD, Waterford, MI. 10-4pm, demo rides, free food, live music & more. For more info go to abcharleydavidson.com (See full page ad this issue).

September 12

Paw Paw Area Rotary Club Ride to **Grape & Wine Festival** Sea Land Air Travel Service, Paw Paw. Ml. Regis 9:30, leaves 11am. \$25 per bike. For more info call Tom 269-254-7241 (See full page ad this issue).

September 12

Annual Pig Roast & Bike Giveaway Scorpions M/C, South Lyon, MI. Huge cash prize & gift cards, vendors, go go dancers, bike show, burnout pit & more. For more info call Ratchet 734-377-8529 (See ad this issue).

September 12 The Run

Capitol HD, Dimondale, MI, \$15 bike. \$5 2 up rider, regis 10am, kickstands up at noon. Fun, food, prizes, games. Proceeds benefit Bikers 4 Books to help area educators with reading materials for every reading level. For more info call Badge 517-862-7960

September 12 8th Annual Red Knights Firefighters Poker Run

Lenox Township Park, Gratiot Ave (between 29 & 30 Mile Rd). Regis 11am-noon, kickstands up at noon, \$25 pp, includes steak dinner, all bikes welcome. For more info call Chris 586-557-0892 (See full page ad this issue).

September 12 American Legion Riders Road Captain

Poker Run American Legion, Northville, MI. Regis 10am, last bike out noon, last bike in by 6pm, \$15 rider, \$10 passenger, all vehicles welcome, rain or shine, bike games, prizes, cash bar, dj. Benefit Wounded & Returning Warrior Program.

September 13

Noah's Project Poker Run BooYahs, Muskegon, Ml. Poker run, taco bar, raffles, live music. Proceeds to help care of homeless animals. For more info Facebook Booyahs Sports Bar (See ad this issue).

September 18 Harleys at the Dragway Milan Dragway, Milan, MI. \$12 race or watch, all bikes welcome, fun runs, vendors, biker games & more. For more info go to milandragway.com

(See full page ad this issue).

September 18-20 **Fall Open House** Ray C's HD, Lapeer, MI. demos, refreshments & more. For more info go to raycsh-d.com (See ad this issue).

September 19 **Open House**

Motorcity HD, Farmington Hills, MI. All day event, demo rides, grill on noon to 3pm, live music, giveaways, raffles & bike giveaway drawing at 4:30 pm. For more info go to motorcityharley.com (See full page ad this issue).

September 19 **Open House**

Gildners HD, West Branch, MI. 9-4, toiletry ride at 11 am, bring toiletry item or \$5 donation, hot dogs, pop, coffee, donuts, door prizes. For more info go to gilnershd.com (See ad this issue).

September 19-20 **AMA District 14 Flat Track Racing**

State Championship Tri-City Motor Speedway, Auburn, MI. Sat. gates open 2pm, practice 4pm, racing 6pm. Sun gates open 8am, practice 10am, racing noon. For more info go to tricityracetrack.com (See ad this issue).

September 20 Benefit Ride

Classic Motorcycles, Livonia, Ml. Benefits Wayne Co Sherrif's Office Motorcycle Unit, police escorted, rain or shine, no stops, just crusin. For more info go to classicmotorcyclesdetroit.com (See full page ad this

September 24-26 Fall Open House C & S HD, Mt. Pleasant, Ml. 24th 6pm-9pm food & drink specials at Low Ride Café, prizes, Demo rides 25th & 26th. For more info candssportscenter.com

September 26 **Anniversary Bash** Brighton HD, Brighton, MI. 10am-

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10pm, Harley giveaway, live entertainment all day, bikini bike wash, food trucks, demo rides, ride-in bike show prizes. For more info go to brightonhd.com (See inside front cover this

September 26 **Heated Gear Workshop** Wolverine HD, Clinton Township, MI. Get ready for Fall riding, 1pm by motorclothes dept. For more info go to wolverinehd.com (See full page ad this issue).

September 26 9th Annual Pink Ribbon Run Hamilton HD, Sturgis, MI, Noon, event for Breast Cancer. For more info go to hamiltonharlev-davidson.

September 26 Friends & Family Day Shiawassee HD, Birch Run, MI. 9-4pm. For more info go to shiawasseeharlev-davidson.com (See ad this issue).

September 26 Valpo-Fest Motorcycle Car Show & Swap

Valparaiso, Indiana. Buy, sell, trade parts, leather, food, beer. For more info go to paragonspromotion.com (See ad this issue).

September 27 Tri-city Travelers M/C Motorcycle Road

Poker Run Crump Conservation Club, Crump, MI. Regis 9am- noon, \$15 pp, first bike out 10 am. check-in 4:30 sharp. For more info call Joe 989-501-0911

September 27 21st Annual Tov Run Old City Hall, Ford Road. Regis 10amnoon, kickstands up 12:30, \$10 pp with new unwrapped toy or \$15 pp without toy, door prizes, 50/50, auction, all bikes welcome. For more info or donations call 734-437-1948

OCTOBER

October 4

31st Annual Peotone Motorcycle Swap Illinois. Buy, sell, trade parts, leather, food, beer. For more info go to paragonspromotion.com (See ad this 42nd Annual Kalamazoo Motorcycle Swap Meet

Wings Stadium, Kalamazoo, Ml. 10am-4pm, \$8 adult, buy, sell, trade parts, leather, food, beer. For more info go to paragonspromotion.com (See ad this issue).

October 16

Harleys at the Dragway Milan Dragway, Milan, Ml. \$12 race or watch, all bikes welcome, fun runs, vendors, biker games & more. For more info go to milandragway.com (See full page ad this issue).

October 18 Birch Run Motorcycle Swap Meet Birch Run Expo Center, Birch Run. MI. 10am-4pm. \$6. For more info call 989-893-5187

October 24 2nd Annual Bikers & Friends Comedy

VFW Hall, Wyandotte, MI. opens 5:30pm, 6pm dinner, 7:30 pm show, advance Tkt \$25 or \$30 at door if available: includes buffet dinner. 2 beers, wine or soft drink. For more info call Mike 734-771-2287

October 25

Delta Plex Arena Motorcycle Swap Delta Plex Arena, Grand Rapids, MI 10am-4pm, \$8 adult, buy, sell, trade parts, leather, food, beer. For more info go to paragonspromotion.com (See ad this issue).

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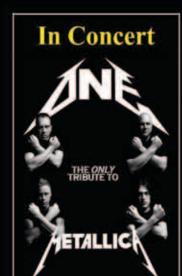
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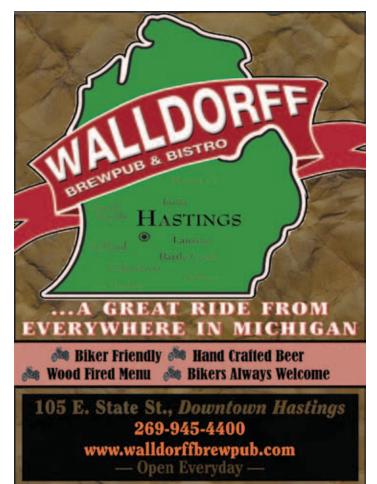
























It's getting to be SCFRY out there.

I rolled up on the scene of a crash the other day when I went in to town to pick up some welding wire. It had just happened at a busy intersection where road work was being conducted and a billion big orange barrels were "theoretically" placed to allow traffic to safely do its business.

As I started to pass the car that was obviously involved, my worst fear came true. Crushed against the driver's side of the car was a huge bright blue fully dressed Goldwing. The car had pulled directly out of a parking lot and right in front of the motorcycle. On the ground below the car and under the bike was the torso of a man who was on his belly propped up on his elbows as he talked to the bunch of road workers gathered around him with cell phones and an emergency kit. He was alive.

Turns out he was an acquaintance of mine I did not recognize at the time. How he got out of that with a few broken ribs, a punctured lung, and some road rash I do not know.

A few weeks ago another riding acquaintance of mine was making a turn at a bad country intersection where the approaching traffic comes from around a curve. It's not a busy location and he probably had done it a million times. This time however the odds went south as a van came around the curve as he was beginning his turn. His organs are now helping others.

A few days before that another friend of mine was on his way to DJ a bike night. A truck pulled out right in front of him and thankfully his low speed at the time kept his injuries limited to a bunch of broken bones, road rash, and a whole new perspective on life.

And not long before that a neighbor of mine was hit and killed not far from my home.

Been a rough month or so in the hood.

Now add to all this the fact that at present Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump are the assumed front runners in the 2016 presidential election and you just have to start wondering what the heck the world is coming

Sorry

Live to ride, Ride to live...., but prepare and be prepared.

"There's no harm in hoping for the best as long as your prepared for the worst" ~ Stephen King

"All things are ready, if our mind be so" ~ William Shakespeare

~ Rusty



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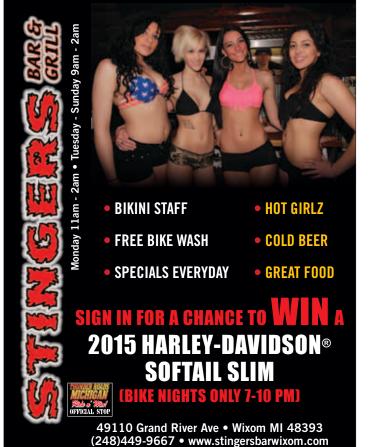














Saturday: Gates open 2:00, Practice 4:00, Racing 6:00 Sunday: Gates open 8:00, Practice 10:00, Racing 12:00 Noon

Tech Tips By Steve

GOT THE SHAKES?

Hello all you fantastic people, I sure pray you guys are doing great and riding as much as possible!

I have a guick announcement before I tell you about a cool batwing fairing wobble fix. Golgotha Performance Cycles is closed, well kind of ... I have always had a heart to give and now I am going to change the way we are doing business. We are going to reopen as a 100% non-profit called Golgotha's Hope, our mission is to support people and charities in need with the profits from the motorcycle shop and donations from others. Now that we will be a 501(c) 3 nonprofit we can give receipts for their donations for tax credit. We will be picking people and charities each year to support and as you know we already have one wounded soldier we are building a bike for through the shop with some very generous donations, we also have another bike we are donating to a very hard working Pastor and we have pledged 35K to the House of Promise in Lansing Michigan. This amazing team of people help woman who have been sexually abused including ones whom have been trapped in human trafficking. There are so many that need help and we want to be a part of the helping solution. Ok enough about us, onto the article...

Do you have a 2010 or older Ultra or Street Glide or a FLH with a Harley OEM batwing fairing? Well you may not know it but there is a serious little problem with them, especially the newer ones. The speaker support and faring support break and the thing starts doing all kinds of weird crap including making your CD skip if so equipped. What do you do, go buy another OEM bracket (don't bother, it will break again) or buy the stronger one from Hard Drive and tear your faring/ radio all apart and replace it? OR you can buy these slick little fix it brackets from Dan Ragan for cheap and the good news is you only have to take the front faring shell off! This month is a one pager so I am not going to go through the step by step, but you can find Dan's install video on his website www.nwmachine.com/rfw/index.htm or just web search Ragan Fab Works.



Fig 1- BW001 complete 4 pc. repair kit/2 uppers (main) & 2 speaker supports

Dan sells three kits that come with everything you need EVEN THE DRILL. One is the BW001 complete 4 pc. repair kit/2 uppers (main) & 2 speaker supports \$44.95 + \$4.00 S&H the next is BW002 2pc, repair kit for upper (main) supports \$24.95 + 2.50 S&H and lastly he offers the BW003 2pc. repair kit for speaker supports \$24.95 + 2.50 S&H.



This is a broken Fairing mount we used this kit on; the break or crack in the support is easy to miss if you are not looking carefully



These speaker brackets are usually the first the break and are much easier to spot.



Here is the faring bracket installed with little effort and disassembly ... BAM we are sturdy and fixed with no bracket removal! These are 304 stainless steel .075 thick and they are laser cut and CNC bent for a perfect fit ... STANLESS STEEL ... how cool is that!

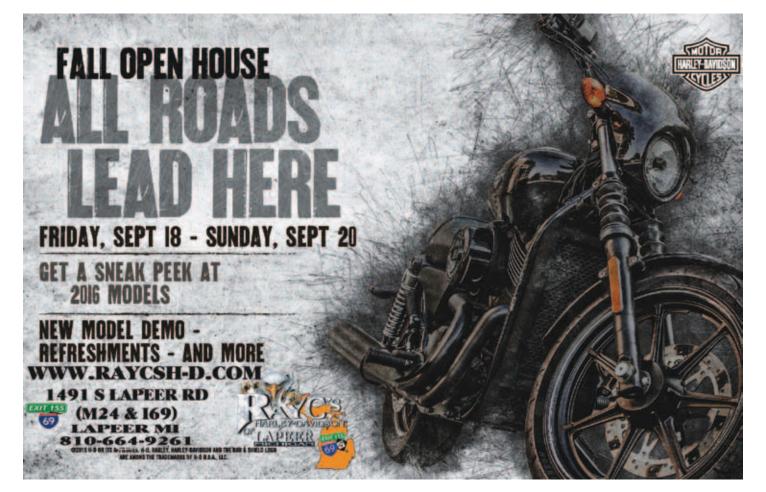
That's it great people, God Bless You all

Have a FANTASTIC Labor Day and congratulations parents you made it through another summer and the kids are back in school!



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Bullet Points



Courtesy of Wolverine Shooting Sports, Inc. ~ Dani Sparks

FOR THE BIRDS

Every year in September, if you drive down I-75 to the shores of: Lake Erie, you'll find milling crowds, contests, boats, art, trading posts, shooting and sling shot competitions, trained dogs: performing demonstrations, and so much more. Located in the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, this year's 68th Annual Waterfowl Festival at Pointe Mouillee works to benefit the largest Fresh Water Marsh Restoration Project in North America - Habitat at Pte. Mouillee.

The best part about this event? It's FREE! The wonderful people who put together this annual event work with sponsors (yep, Wolverine Shooting Sports is on that list!) to ensure that this event goes off without a hitch, and one of the ways they do this is through the Live Auction that will occur on Sunday afternoon at 1:30pm. Additionally, there will be vendors at various Trading Posts, boasting a wide array of goods, from art to shooting supplies, waterfowling accessories, and much more! There will even be games for the kids!

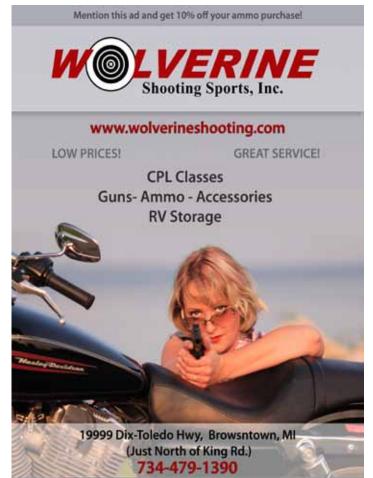
If you've never been to a State Game Area, you'll be in for a treat. Pte. Mouillee is absolutely beautiful, and the roads around it will make for a lovely ride. Take some time to look at : user posted pictures of Pointe Mouillee if you don't believe me! : This year the event runs on Saturday and Sunday, September out for any stray gravel, as many of the intersecting roads are dirt! It's certainly one of my favorite places to ride locally, coming from the Trenton/Woodhaven area.

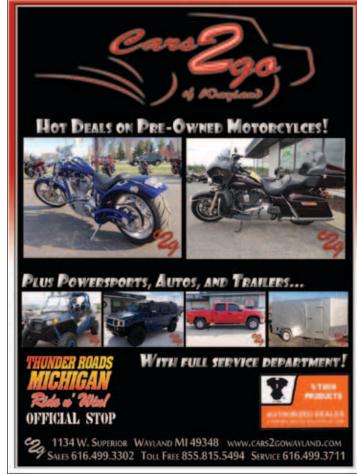
The Pte. Mouillee Waterfowl Festival offers us the true beauty that exists in waterfowling, from the habitats, to the comradery: For more information, visit the website at of hunters and their dogs, as well as the artwork which expresses these traditions in spectacular grace and beauty. Come out : You can also check out the flier on our blog at and enjoy the sporting, the art, the games, and the breathtaking : wolverineshooting.com beauty that is Pte. Mouillee.



If you've never had the opportunity to ride down West Jefferson: 19th and 20th, from 8:00am - 5:00pm both days. Make sure until it turns into Dixie Highway. South of Gibraltar, I can tell you : to bring your sunglasses, but remember, there is NO ALCOthat without a doubt, it's a smooth ride. Just be sure to watch : HOL allowed on State Game Land. Emergency service will be : provided by Brownstown Fire Department. The area will be patrolled by Michigan Conservation Officers, Wayne County Sheriff Department, Brownstown Township Police, and Huron Clinton Metro Parks Police.

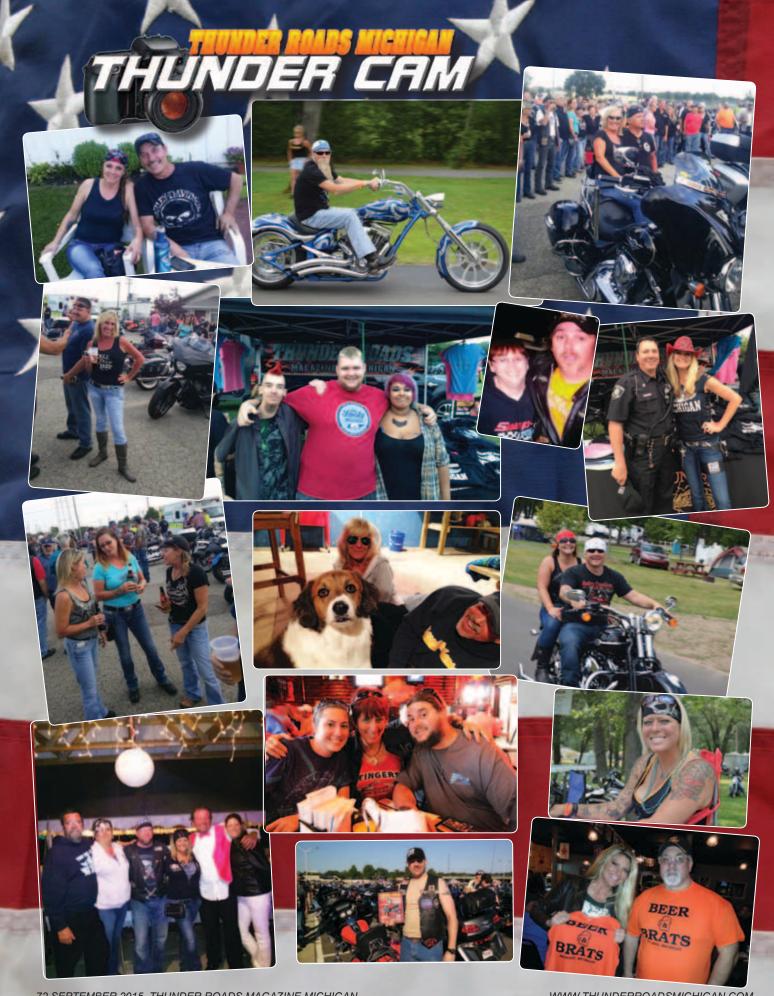
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