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## ON THE COVER

*I decided to do something different for the cover of this issue. Many of us due to what is happening in the world this year have been feeling frustrated and down, so I thought what a great opportunity to turn a negative time into a positive one! I decided to do a silent auction to offer a special opportunity for someone or someone they know to be on the cover of Thunder Roads Magazine of Michigan. Plus, extending that even further by donating 20% of the winners bid to the charity or their choice. The winner of this year's silent auction is Jon Rytlewski, owner of Precision Lawn Sprinklers of Saginaw, Michigan. Jon has been riding motorcycles for 20 years. Jon's current bike is a 2017 Victory Magnum XL. He chose one of my favorite charities, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to donate to. What a fun photo shoot this was! We laughed a lot, which having known Jon for over four years now is expected when you are around him, always a jokester and Billy D, the photographer always a hoot for his antidotes. Thank you to all involved. ~Jody Mo*

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Bike: 2017 Victory Magnum XL  
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# LETTER FROM THE OWNER

## Looking Ahead

I am sure like most of you that you wish you could just skip ahead to 2021. This year has been a very difficult one for all of us. With that being said I am looking ahead to next year and looking forward to some exciting news... I have decided to have a Thunder Roads Magazine of Michigan Rally! It is about time I am sure many of you are thinking. It is called Michigan Thunder Fest (See Inside Front Cover for details). Kris (the owner of Salt River Acres) and I will be working hard to make sure this event is nothing but awesome! Those that know me know I am all about having fun so you will want to make sure to save the date for next year July 14-18. You will not want to miss this! If anyone is interested in helping, being a vendor, performer or a sponsor be sure to contact me.

Once again please don't forget to continue to reach out to friends and family that may still be struggling during these difficult times. Please help each other. Please support the advertisers you see in this issue that are still paying for ads and hoping that September brings back life in their businesses. Without them I would not be able to still publish this magazine for you to enjoy so please be sure to patronize these wonderful people and places. This is the last issue of the year, but I will be doing online posts/ads throughout the off-season so if you have something going on or would like to advertise your business at an extra discounted rate contact me.

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### Now for some "Mo" Advice:

Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present

*Jody Mohowitsch*  
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#truthbetold (Please take a minute to read. This pertains to everyone)

To know we feel the same and we aren't alone is comforting! Even outside of the "back to school" frenzy, there are similar circumstances and situations we can all relate to.

A mom calls out to her daughter "Samantha! Wake up! You'll be late for school." The daughter replies, "Mom, I don't want to go to school! The teachers and students hate me! Give me one reason I should go!" The mom says back, "You should go because you're the principal!"

Sometimes we just need a little bit of a mindful humor to let it all out!

As working parents and stay at home parents struggle to figure out the plan and what to do for this coming school year, remember your children are watching how you handle this and will follow your lead. Heat of the moment outbursts or remarks made from frustration and resentment can fuel the fire with your children, co-workers and friends.

The reality.... If you're negative, speaking angrily and showing ugliness on this situation, they will too. When it comes to the first day of school, a negative tone has already been set and they won't want to learn. Your negativity has the possibility of affecting the behavior of children and young adults, and possibly leading them to have more negative tendencies. Change your mindset and theirs will too. It will make the biggest difference and a happier learning environment.

Be mindful of your actions and words. Just like your work, client meetings and unforeseeable situations in the workplace we handle them as best as possible.

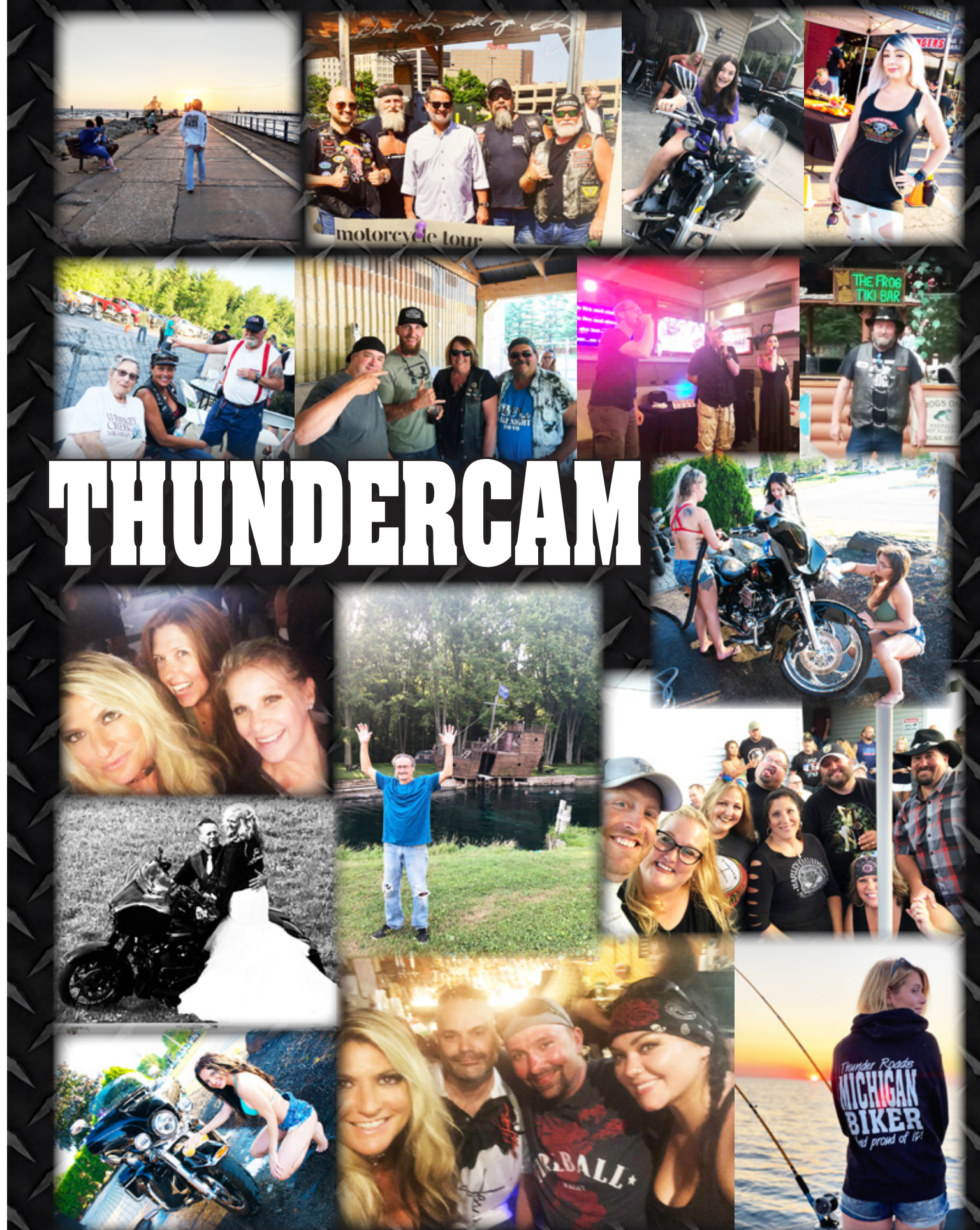
Never let them see you sweat!

Be the difference.

Be You, Be Happy, Be in the NOW! Remember, you can't lead a positive life with a negative mind.

Until then...Don't Coast in Neutral, Positive Shift Ahead!  
 ~ Stacie René

Check out my Mindset Monday Messages on the Stacie René YouTube Channel.







## Kip Elsea

Let me explain about this bike, it's a Iron Horse you want to ride against the wind on, Spectacular! Bike was created by Joe "Little Joe" Marino from Birch Run, Michigan and painted by Billy Franet from Saginaw, Michigan. Winner of 2018 Kochville Car & Bike Show - Best Bike This bike roars like the world ending, shakes the ground a bit, and catches eyes, overloads hearing. My best description of the bike being a novice in the motorcycle world, being in the presence of this machine gets the imagination going. Sometimes when I see it in action, I'm Dennis Hopper flying down the road on it, taking some glorious roadtrip...

- William David Scott

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I can't believe that September is already here. There have been so many distractions in our lives and things are changing so fast that you just can't keep up with everything going on! ABATE tried its darndest to make changes in the Insurance Reform package that would help bikers all across the great State of Michigan but the legislators who help write the legislation with the help of the Insurance Lobbyists did not ask for public input and neglected the will of Michiganders to protect us in case of an accident! Do not forget them in November!

My good friend and RC George Bennett and I recently went to a funeral for the Minister for the CMA, Edwin Russell. He was a truly good man who was respected among his peers and would spread the Word of God every chance he got. The times I was around him he would never talk bad or bad mouth anyone. I wish there were more like him instead of all the anger, mistrust, and violence in this world today. May God bless you Edwin and may your work continue to make this world a better place to live!

I'm going to miss the Thunder Road magazine during the months when ice and snow and cold weather take over, but like Jody stated "If anyone needs anything we still need to help one another through these tough times." Hey Jody, how about some free airline tickets to the Bahamas in December?

I'm not exactly sure who is in the race for the 5th Congressional District but a Candidate by the name of Earl Lackie has my attention and I hope him all the best of luck in November!

Just some last minute issues for those of you who are concerned about motorcycle insurance, motorcycle only checkpoints, rider education and awareness and keeping the helmet choice option, on September 29th, ride to Lansing by noon and let your Legislators know you do matter and attend the ABATE of Michigan 2020 Freedom Rally!

There will be a Meeting of the Minds in Indianapolis September 24 – 27th at the Waterfront Hotel and Conference Center. Please call Jinx at 517-812-7602. Jinx is the MRF Representative for Michigan and he can help guide you through all the details or you can check out The Michigan Rider and get all the info you need to sign-up or get registered.

May God bless our Great Nation through these disasters like the Covid-19 epidemic and all the turmoil from the Politicians who can't agree on anything without bickering and name calling and let's hope that the American People are taken care of whoever wins in November.

May the road rise to meet you and the wind always be at your back,

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# VETERANS CORNER



## The 30th Anniversary of Desert Shield ~ Desert Storm

As I write the last article for this season, it is one that is truly dear to my heart. As you know I am a Desert Shield-Desert Storm Veteran along with OEF/OIF. The National Desert Storm War Memorial is been in the works for several years and most would say that that was not a war, well I disagree, anytime we put 400,000 US troops and 35 countries that was involved in the removal of Iraq troops out of Kuwait it was very significant to the future of wars.

The 30th Anniversary of this War, started on 2 August 2020 and the there are many veterans that have served during this period have had a lot of issues and feel sometimes this war is being forgotten so we as Desert Storm Veterans took action so that we could show the world that it was a swift and successful war. The leadership during this war was going to ensure that we weren't going to make the mistakes from past wars. So, we have a great appreciation to our Vietnam Veterans who not only lead us but also welcome us home. In this day and age when the world is in a moment of disarray, let's not forget that it was our history and its important lessons that we learned from each and everyone. It's important that our children learn about our history and learn from the things we did right and what we did wrong. So, this memorial is not only to remember who we loss but it also to show how we show the world that we can work together and be successful.

The site chosen—and approved in the 2014 National Defense Authorization Act—is a plot near the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., at the intersection of Constitution Avenue and 23rd Street. The site, which is now used as a pick-up sports field, is across the street from the National Institute for Peace. Stump (Scott C. Stump - CEO & President of ndswm.org – Ed.) said it was intentionally chosen to be near the Vietnam War and Korean War Memorials, and will be easily seen by travelers visiting those sites and driving in the area. Renderings of the memorial as currently conceived show a relatively flat design with arcs of engraved stone. Stump told Air Force Magazine that a vertical design, like that of the Air Force Memorial, would not be approved because it would visually compete with and potentially detract from the Lincoln Memorial. Moreover, at an unnamed, alternate site where “verticality” would have been acceptable, “nobody would be able to get to it,” he said. However, he said the final version “will have figures,” although whether they will be realistic statues such as those at the Korean War memorial or merely suggestive of generic people has not yet been decided. “We believe that is an important element and we are working on incorporating that,” Stump noted.

The memorial will recognize the contributions of the US military services, as well as the 35 countries that contributed people, materiel, or money to the effort, Stump said.

“This is not a place of mourning,” he asserted, having earlier said that the memorial is necessary to prevent “a forgotten victory.” The “positive messages” of the 1991 conflict—a coming together of many nations to repel aggression, victory with few casualties relative to the mass casualties expected, and the re-embrace of the American military by the American people—will be highlighted.

“Future generations will look at this and say, if we can do this, then anything is possible,” he asserted.

Stump also noted that the design will take technology into account, offering ways to see historical footage or backstory on a mobile device. The memorial will not, however, have an interpretive center or museum.

It will be intended to evoke an “emotional connection” and inspire visitors to learn more about the conflict on their own.

In introducing a panel of speakers to discuss the historical significance of the Gulf War, Stump said he has been corrected from describing Desert Storm as a “100-hour” ground war, given the six-week air campaign that preceded the ground phase? and destroyed more than 50 percent of the Iraqi forces in or near Kuwait.

Retired Lt. Gen. David Deptula, Dean of AFA's Mitchell Institute, who served as one of the principal architects of the Desert Storm air campaign, said the war was historically influential for five reasons:

1. “It set the expectations for low casualties” on both sides of an American war.
2. It “presaged the age of precision weapons,” he said, noting that although Desert Storm was often thought of as a war of precision weapons, only seven percent of the munitions used actually fit that description. In Operation Inherent Resolve, however, the number leaped to 98 percent, he said.
3. It marked the first use of a joint force concept of operations, and it was the first campaign to employ the Goldwater-Nichols reforms.
4. It was the first war aimed not specifically at attrition, but on achieving desired effects, Deptula said.



**SHARON K. HARVEY**  
(RET) TSGT, USA/USAF “RED”

5. And, it was the first time “airpower was the key force” in achieving victory in a military campaign; a modern reality quickly recognized and embraced by Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the overall commander of the coalition force.

If you would like to know more on this or contribute to our memorial please take a moment to go to <http://www.ndswm.org/> Thank each and everyone that has served and/or still serving this great nation and may God Bless this great country

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## MICHIGAN MOTORCYCLE LAWS YOU MAY NOT KNOW

**Michigan Motorcycle Laws You May Not Know**  
I thought I would cover in this article a few Michigan motorcycle laws that many people may not know. These are ones that I often get questions about.

**Carrying Packages on a Motorcycle:**  
I bet everyone has seen pictures or videos showing a motorcycle operator in a third world country carrying something ridiculous on their bikes, in their hands, or even on their heads. Perhaps this occurs because much of the population cannot afford a car or truck. Motorcycles and scooters are way less expensive and people make do.  
In Michigan, this is NOT a legal option. The applicable traffic law states, "A motorcycle or moped operator shall not carry any packages or bundles that prevents the driver from keeping both hands on the handlebars. MCL 257.661 So, If you need to transport items on your motorcycle make sure they fit in or on your bike.

**Children on motorcycles:**  
What is the minimum age that a child must be to ride as a passenger on a motorcycle?  
This is kind of a trick question. There is no minimum age that a child must be to be a legal motorcycle passenger. The requirement is rather that of height. A passenger shall not ride on a motorcycle unless his or her feet can rest on the foot pegs. MCL 257.658 a (1). An exception would be if the person has a permanent physical disability that prevents this.  
So, if you are giving anyone a ride, they need to be able to touch and rest their feet on their own set of foot pegs.

**License plate position:**  
I see many motorcycles with the license plate to the side of the rear fender and in a vertical position. This is a violation of Michigan law MCL 257.225 (2) which states the law regarding position, placement, and visibility of your motorcycle's license plate:  
"A registration plate shall at all times be securely fastened in a horizontal position to the vehicle for which the plate is issued to prevent the plate from swinging. The plate shall be attached at a height of not less than 12 inches from the ground, measured from the bottom of the plate, in a place and position that is clearly visible. The plate shall be maintained free from foreign materials that obscure or partially obscure the registration information and in a clearly legible condition."  
I am a partner in and train at a Mixed Martial Arts gym called Mash Gym. Years ago, when theme bikes were the rage, my partner, at my prodding, commissioned a Mash Gym theme bike. Because of the customization, it was difficult to place the license plate. Originally it was vertical because horizontally seems to make it stick out too far. Turns out we violated this law and had to change it to a "fastened horizontal position." These pictures



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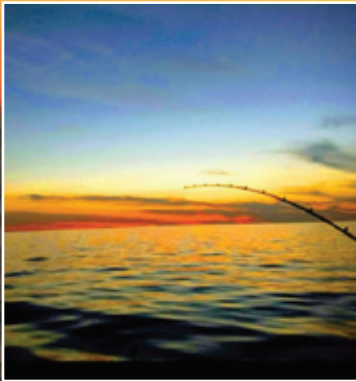


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If a man whispers "fuuuuuuuk" as soon as he puts it in...You best enjoy the next 9 seconds, darlin'.

Raise your hand if someone is still alive today because you didn't want to go to prison?

Barbie turns 61 this year. Kinda' think we can all start calling her Barbara or Miz B. now.

The "NEW" NFL Announcers..."It's not his knee. It appears his feelings are hurt and the official team Psychologist is rushing out onto the field."

I'm gonna' hang a Batman outfit in my hubby's closet just to majorly screw with him when/if he ever gets Alzheimer's.

Before the coffee lawsuit, do you also remember that Mickey D's apple pies were literally served at the surface temperature of the planet Mercury!

Until you ride with someone that has a suspended license, you really don't know how many back roads there are in your town.

I think we all need to pray for Karen's husband. He was walking by the pantry on his way to the bathroom and saw her taking five Oreos out of the container and commented, "I thought you said you were on a diet?"

Very vivacious 22 year old to her 72 year old, very rich husband, after the wedding ceremony, "I love you so much I want you to wear this manly beloved bracelet that belonged to my Grandfather, and feel my love always. Husband: Why does it say "Do Not Resuscitate?"

O.K., you gotta' sing this in the same melody...  
"Aint no sunshine when she's gone.....  
Aint no borderline psychotic emotional bullchit either"

Grandpa is such a grump. Lil' Joey was taking a selfie and his Grandpa said "that's about stupid!". Lil' Joey said, just cause' y'all didn't have selfies in your day don't make it stupid." Grandpa said, "Oh, we had selfies alright, whenever I was in the mood and your Grandmother didn't feel like putting out, that's when selfies came into play."

Have you ever just laughed your ass off at something Really dark or weird and just sat there like, what is wrong with me?

So was lying in bed with my new bf after sex and knew he was thinking about how that was just mind blowing sex, but when I asked him he said, 'actually, you just blew a tiny little fart on my dick and it gave me a boner.' \*read the joke above this one again.

The garbage man stuck a pamphlet for AA on my recycling bin.  
Judgmental prick, mind your own damn business!

Confucius say: It is only when a mosquito lands on your balls that you realize there is always a way to solve problems without using violence.

You ever wish you could meet someone for the very first time and walk straight f'ing past them?

Two Unicorns on Noah's Ark ---- "Hey! Sexy, looks like it's gonna be up to you and me to re-populate the Earth with Unicorns, Huh? By the way I'm Gregg, what's your name cutie-pie?  
Arnold, now get your horned ass outa' here.  
And that folks, is why we have no Unicorns. :(

Things that make you go Hmmm?  
If Hooters starts delivering wings, will it mean they might change their name to Knockers?

It's a little known fact that cows' farts come from the dairy air.  
(if you don't get it, don't even ask)

You know what unites us the most is when you stop and acknowledge the absolute fact that every single adult hand you've ever shaken has held a dick at some time or another, and some more than others.

Ladies, it's hot out there and tempers flare, so while you're running around half-naked and guys shouting obscenities, please do your best not to be Twatsicles  
Guys, just carry on not having a f'ing clue.

September is one Hot ass month so stay cool!  
As my Great Grandpappy used to to say.....  
Hells Fire! It's hotter out there than a Hooker's door knob on Nickel Night!



## Thunder Bar

IT'S 5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE!

Compiled & Edited by Denise High



### Tropical Fishbowl Margarita

6 oz. (180ml) Tequila  
3 oz. (90ml) Coconut Rum  
2 oz. (60ml) Triple Sec  
2 oz. (60ml) Peach Schnapps  
1 oz. (30ml) Lime Juice  
6 oz. (180ml) Pineapple Juice  
Bottle of Orange Juice  
Orange Slices  
Lime Slices  
Strawberries  
24 oz. Corona Beer Bottle



#### PREPARATION

1. Build a fishbowl glass using ice and orange, lime, and strawberry slices.
2. Pour in tequila, Triple Sec, coconut rum, peach schnapps, lime juice, pineapple juice, and orange juice.
3. Insert a beer bottle and straws.

### Creamy Sex on the Beach

1/2 oz. (15ml) Vodka  
1/2 oz. (15ml) Coconut Rum  
1/2 oz. (15ml) Peach Schnapps  
1 1/2 oz. (45ml) Pineapple Juice  
1 oz. (30ml) Heavy Cream  
1 Dash Grenadine  
Garnish: Pineapple Slice



#### PREPARATION

1. Add ice to shaking glass and pour over vodka, peach schnapps, coconut rum, pineapple juice, heavy cream and grenadine. Shake well.
2. Strain mix over ice into serving glass and garnish with a pineapple slice.

### Electric Shark

1 oz. (30ml) Spiced Rum  
2 oz. (60ml) Blue Curacao  
4 oz. (120ml) Pineapple Juice  
Splash Ginger Beer  
Garnish: Pineapple Leaves/Cherry



#### PREPARATION

1. In an ice filled glass combine spiced rum, blue curacao and pineapple juice. Shake well.
2. Add ice to serving glass and strain mix over. Top with ginger beer.
3. Garnish with pineapple leaves and a cherry.

### Jack & Cherry Coke Slush

3 oz. (90ml) Jack Daniel's Whiskey  
Cherry Coca Cola  
Garnish: Cherry

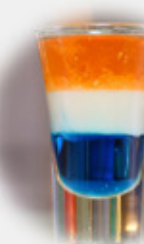


#### PREPARATION

1. Create cherry coca cola ice cubes and place in freezer until solid.
2. Add ice cubes to blender and combine with jack daniels.
3. Pour into glass and garnish with cherry.

### Tide Pod Shot

1 Part Blue Curacao  
1 Part White Chocolate Liqueur  
1 Part Orange Vodka



#### PREPARATION

1. Pour blue curacao 1/3 of the way into a shot glass.
2. Using the back of a bar spoon, layer white chocolate liqueur on top, followed by orange vodka.

**PLEASE DRINK RESPONSIBLY AND DON'T DRINK AND RIDE / DRIVE!**

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## Biker Preacher's Corner

Many have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 Plandemic – many have lost their jobs, livelihoods and more. Violence, riots and protests have destroyed several cities in our great country. But today I want to share with you the steadfast hope that I have found which only comes from my relationship with Christ Jesus. Yes, I'm a pastor yet this pandemic has adversely affected the church for a time but we are back to better than ever. Why? It's who we/I focused our attention and affections on... the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Psalm 28:7** says "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. Therefore my heart rejoices, and I praise Him with my song."

Because the Lord is my strength and shield my heart does not fear and He helps me through the trials of life because I completely trust in Him. So, my heart rejoices and praises His holy name no matter what troubles I may face!!

A great thing for you to understand today is that I'm nobody special... what God does for me he will do for you! The promises in His word aren't just for a select few they are for all of us who believe and put our faith in His Son, Jesus. God loves you so much!

**2 Corinthians 5:7** says "For we walk by faith, not by sight," In this day and age where the mass media is constantly spreading all sorts of lies and false narrative; chaos and mayhem have caused more people to fear, and that fear has turned into hatred and violence- because they walk by sight. But if we, mankind, will only keep our faith and focus centered on Christ Jesus and His Word we will have peace and live victoriously in this life.

So, if you're finding yourself today in fear and sorrow; not knowing where to turn for peace. **1 Peter 5:7** gives us the direction "casting all your care on Him, because He cares about you."

Let me say it this way "cast all your care on Jesus, because Jesus cares about you." Jesus is the only source of true peace, hope and love. If you think about it for a moment Jesus is exactly what everyone is looking for.

I challenge you today – stop watching the news, and don't let any social media platform be your only source of news and encouragement. As the grandfather of Christian rock (Larry Norman) once said "Why don't you look into Jesus – He's Got the answer." Crack open the Bible and find the peace that you've always been looking for, the Hope that you have been trying to find everywhere else and the Love that your soul is sooooo desperate for – They are only found in Jesus Christ.

Jesus will be your source of strength hope and peace just like He is mine – if you'll ask him to be.

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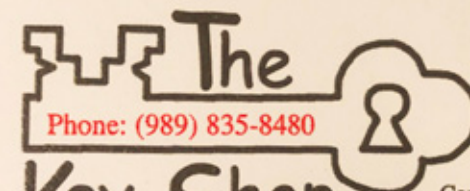
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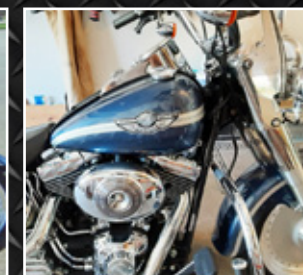


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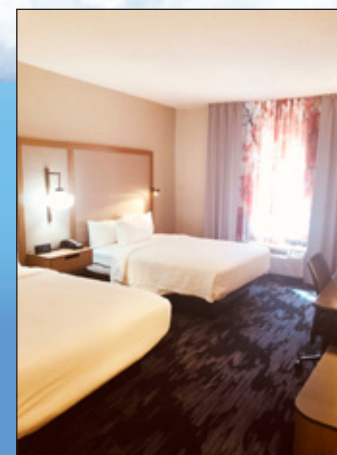
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# IN THE SHOP WITH RON

BY Ron Johnson

Because this is the last issue of the year and soon we will need to prepare for winter, (sorry to say) I thought I would change it up. So this month in the shop we're going to install a snow plow on a 2017 Honda Pioneer 700 side by side. It's not a terribly difficult job but it does require some time. As always I like to lay out all parts and fasteners in an effort to get myself familiar with everything in the kit.



This project was a bit more difficult because I couldn't find any installation instructions until after I finished the project. (long story) There are three main components to this snow plow /blade set up. #1 the blade #2 a push tube set #3 the mounting bracket. The blade is raised and lowered with an electric winch already installed on the vehicle.

The first step is to install the mounting bracket on the vehicle. The mounting bracket mounts to the front lower part of the frame, on this side by side there is an under-body shield that needs to be loosened and dropped down in front to allow access to the bolt locations for the mounting bracket.



Start all bolts and fasteners and check for any clearance or alignment issues before tightening anything. Once satisfied, do a final tighten on all of the bolts and fasteners using red Loctite®. Next we can reinstall the under-body shield this one required the use of 4 bolts along the front ¾ of an inch longer than the original ones.

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## MAKING SNOW PLOWING FUN

Next we can assemble the blade and push tube assembly. First we can mount the scraper bar to the blade. The scraper bar is what contacts the surface when plowing and as it wears it can be turned over to expose a clean fresh edge. The scraper bar mounts to the blade with 9 carriage bolts.



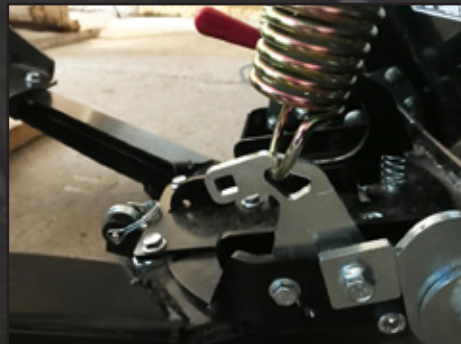
Again, start all bolts before final tightening. Since at some point we will want to turn the scraper blade over, I use blue Loctite® on these bolts. Now the push tube set needs to be mounted to the blade/plow. The push tube set is the link between the snowblade/plow and the vehicle and allows the blade to be manually angled left or right and also allows the blade to fold over at the warning of sorts that you are pushing too hard. The amount of force necessary to cause the blade to fold can be adjusted by changing the spring tension.



Getting just a bit ahead of myself here. To mount the push tube set to the blade first we mount 2 brackets to the back of the snow blade and then mount the push tube set to these brackets using both bushings and washers supplied with the kit. These round bushings are what allows the blade to fold over which helps keep other things from bending or breaking.



These springs are mounted to the back of the blade then to the brackets bolted to the push tube set. The position of this bracket is determined by the spot that the shouldered bolts are installed.



Next we can install the handling spring that controls the angle of the blade. Now we can mount the push tube/blade assembly to the mounting bracket on the vehicle and connect the winch cable to the lift pulley and bushing.



Operate the winch up and down and check for and clearance issues or binding throughout the lift cycle. Now you will be ready to go move some snow when it comes.

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## NOT POLITICALLY CORRECT



Hello Fellow Riders and Patriots,

As you may know by now I did not win the primary very low voter turnout. This concerns me greatly. If I were running against another conservative I would just concede but this is not the case. I am running against a left leaning Democrat and now a left leaning turncoat Republican. That's right Tim Kelly wants to turn Michigan into a National Popular vote state and to you lady riders here's a quote from him. Kelly criticized a federal program designed to boost the number of women in science fields as "Wasteful Spending". If you don't mind having California and New York telling you what to do then you have your candidate personally I don't want a new motorcycle (when I buy one) to have all those California emissions on it so I plan on filling as a write in candidate. So please write my name in on November 3rd EARL LACKIE. If you want to know more about me go to my web site EarlLackieforCongress.com or friend request me on FB. I'm sorry I had to make this so political but I feel right now our very states future is in the balance and so are our liberties be careful who you vote for your riding liberties, your guns, your very way of life depend on it. I am a constitutional conservative and I will defend the Constitution as written. As for riding I hope and pray you all are safe and have not given up because of the state of our insurance this too requires us to maintain a constant eye on what our politicians are doing (again Tim Kelly is not a rider). As this is the last article for the year I pray everyone has a safe and fun rest of the summer remember if you see a bike on the side of the road stop and check you never know someday that might be you. Think about joining ABATE, MRF or the MCOC there's strength and safety in numbers and fun too.

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# BULLET POINTS

## STIR OF ECHOS

BY RICK WYATT



Here we are in the last issue of a chaotic season, but the most consequential decision most of us will ever make in our lives isn't until November 3rd. We have witnessed a massive movement in social norms the last few years and many of the resulting changes were long overdue, but the impetus behind some of these changes is, to say the very least, frightening to the verge of horror show classic. We are being pushed to the precipice of a labyrinth that once you tumble into there is no escape, no second chance and truly no hope. Barack Obama coined the phrase "lead from the rear" which loosely means shove the poor bastards over the edge and clean up the spoils for yourself; he and his friends are such damn good Marxists! But being real, more than any other time in our past the heart and soul of our nation truly depends on the outcome of one election and one side in that contest doesn't give a damn about rules and will go to any extreme to win so they can forever change the fabric of America.

Undoubtedly everybody has witnessed the unrest in major cities all over the country, but what is not being reported is that the root of the unrest is Antifa and similar revolutionary fronts whose primary objective is to overthrow the United States as we know it. The chief fundraiser for Black Lives Matter is a convicted domestic terrorist who was pardoned by Bill Clinton on his last day in office by the name of Susan Rosenberg. She is the head of "Thousand Currents" that supports plethora of radical revolutionary groups all tied together and lead back to, if you can believe it, George Soros and his cabal of anti-American billionaires who support the notion of a one world government where they, by virtue of their wealth, will run a semi-autocracy and rule by the divine right of kings.

At one time what is playing out in the streets would have been long since quelled by local and state law enforcement and the leaders would have gone to prison and life would have returned to normal. But most of the problems are playing out in cities run by progressive politicians in states with progressive governors and shielded by judges and prosecutors whose political careers have been financed by Soros and friends. Cities are burning, citizens are being injured and killed by the mobs yet local political leaders, who are at the very least complicit in the mob violence, claim that it is nothing more than peaceful protests. Add to the on-going violence the tensions caused by supposed global pandemic and you have an environment for the ilk of Gretchen Whitmer to institute a form of heavy-handed rule by executive fiat. And believe me when I say what has and what is going on is just a prelude

to what is to come if the progressives are able to secure both the legislative and executive branches of government.

The democrats are pimping a change agenda with Joe Biden at the head of the ticket, but the only reason he is at the top is because the power structure within the party knows that he can be controlled like a puppet on a string. Have you watched or listened to Biden lately, he is no more in control of what he says and how he acts than I can control the sun and moon and stars. His behavior reminds me so much of so many people I have known who were suffering dementia that even the remotest possibility of him ending up in the presidency is terrifying. If elected, we will have a third-party presidency where the man in the chair isn't the one making policy decisions and leading the nation. Instead, un-elected and unaccountable voices will enact their un-American ideology and force it down our throats under the color of law. Unless we stand up at the ballot this year our way of life will be gone forever, lost in the abyss from which there is no return and failure to cast your ballot is little more than surrendering to the onslaught of Marxism.

For those of you who don't believe me or have your collective heads up your asses I suggest you start laying in some survival supplies. Make sure you have a good handgun and rifle and plenty of ammo because they will be impossible to get once a Biden cabinet goes to work. Stock up on staples such as dried beans and rice as well as canned meats and vegetables because suddenly grocery shelves will be empty and refrigerated foods will not survive the rolling power blackouts. Make sure you have a good quality camp axe with sheath and have it belt sharpened to a keen edge, and get a tomahawk while you are at it so you have a means to gather firewood or build a shelter in the woods; add a quality short blade sheath knife to that list also. Get your hands on a couple of hundred feet of para-cord and another hundred feet of decent stout rope and a couple of heavy-duty vinyl tarps. Get yourself a fling and steel fire striker and learn how to use it then get a second one in case you lose the first one, and keep those in a zip-lock freezer bag along with and emergency survival manual. Add to this some quality cold weather clothing and boots, arctic rated sleeping bags, and a crank up radio and a decent recurve bow and arrows. Finally make sure you have a decent shot gun and sufficient ammo to guard your survival stash and a large print bible and pray you never have to use any of it! Hopefully, I will be with you again next year!

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