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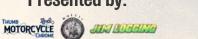
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LETTER FROM OWNERS

et me take you back to December 12, 2022, with me. I remember Aly and I sitting in our new makeshift office, and we were so excited about where everything was going to go in the limited space we had. It was like the scene from Step Brothers where they are excited about all the activities they are now going to have room for. We were going to have desks across from each other! Did we just become best friends!? - Iol.

At that time, we were pillaging through everything we could get our hands on for ideas for the magazine. We just couldn't wait to write the things we thought were important on our enormous dry erase board we just had to have. It was a roller coaster of omg what did we do?... to omg it's going to be so much fun! It was exciting to think about being able to travel and call it work! HA! Now there's some humor! On that enormous dry erase board we had written "Find a place or person that builds bikes to follow and write about." We needed content! We needed something the readers would enjoy following. Low and behold, we found the Wyld Stallions Motorcycle Build Competition on Facebook. It was exactly what we were looking for! It was fresh, it was just about to begin, and they were looking for a way to get the word out. Perfect. I reached out to Derek Long, the master mind behind the WSMB and it was refreshing to know that he was as excited as we were to have made the connection. It's pretty cool looking back and seeing how things moved along and progressed. From our first talk, our first meeting, the final updates, and now preparing for the big reveal and winner to be chosen at Owosso Vintage Motorcycle Days. Wow where does time go?! It's been a roller coaster for Aly and I the last 9 months, but we have to hand it to the Wyld Stallions Builders. You guys have had some struggles and you all deserve a round of applause for the courage, faith, and efforts that you all have put into this competition. Life has its way of slowing us down sometimes and making us reevaluate our priorities. Regardless of finishing or not. Show up.



Be proud of your efforts. Be proud for challenging yourself. Some of you have gone through the ringer over the last few months. Kudos to all of you! No regrets... we'll see you guys on August 26th at the show, and we can't wait to celebrate with all of you at the Grease Raq Customs shop afterward!

RJ & Aly

DON INTRO



My name is Don. AKA Goose,

Hove to hunt, fish, and ride my Harley...but not necessarily in that order. I don't have the typical "I grew up on 2 Wheels" story.

I always wanted to ride, but I decided a long time ago that if I couldn't afford a Harley... I'd wait. After I retired from

Lexamar Corporation, I promised my "Old Lady" I'd quit smoking in exchange for a motorcycle. I am now the proud owner of a 2013 Harley-Davidson Softail Slim, and it may be my new #1 hobby. It was 1 year ago I made that purchase, and I've been rollin' up the odometer on Michigan's Thunder Roads ever since.



I also have a passion for photography, and that's how I met the Thunder Roads Michigan Magazine crew. I was attending the 3rd Annual Mackinaw Rally and with my camera in hand I decided to introduce myself to RJ & Aly. Short story, I'm now a Thunder Roads Michigan team member! After all, what could be better than traveling on 2 wheels all over Michigan taking pictures? I'd call that a Dream Job!

I hope we get to cross paths out on these Michigan Thunder Roads. If you see me out there, please say hi... I'd love to meet you.

Goose

WILD & THREE

Hi! I'm Barb Wilson (aka "Red"), the newest member of the Thunder Roads Michigan family.

My hubby Rick (aka "Big Guy") and I own a black HD TriGlide Ultra. We purchased it new in 2017.

Since he was a teenager, Big Guy has ridden motorcycles. He encouraged me to jump on behind him and I discovered I LOVED it! So far, we've visited fifteen states, racked up the wind therapy, and attended a lot of motorcycle events.

We did agree on a couple of concessions when we started riding. Beside the trike, best purchase? Helmet communicators—which are awesome, by the way—and we have so much bike gear now we could open our own accessories store!

Every event we attend, every bike night we park at, every rally we ride to, all the charity runs we participate in—no matter what, we have had a blast seeing old friends and meeting new ones who share our hobby.

Whether it is the 2018 HD Homecoming in Milwaukee, the 2019 HOG Rally in the UP, or our first trip to Sturgis in 2018, we encountered warm, friendly people. These folks never hesitated to help you if you needed it, and were happy to share a joke or a cold beverage on a hot day.

I'm positive a few of you readers will recognize that sign in the picture!

And if that isn't familiar to you...how about the pic of Main Street?

We joined 500,000 fellow riders on a few of the most beautiful roads in the country, heard some amazing music, and met some equally amazing people.

Our Sturgis trip in 2018 was a bit out of the ordinary, both good and bad. I'll be sharing some of those adventures with you in a future column. Let's say for now that I am really hoping that old saying about "pain plus time equals humor" is true.

This summer, we are doing as much riding as we possibly can, most of it within the state of Michigan. If you are on the road or at an event/rally, keep an eye out for us. Please come up and introduce yourself—you might just see your name in a future column.

We're thrilled to join RJ's and Aly's TRM family, and we can't wait to see more cool places, attend more rallies, and make new friends.

RIDE ON!



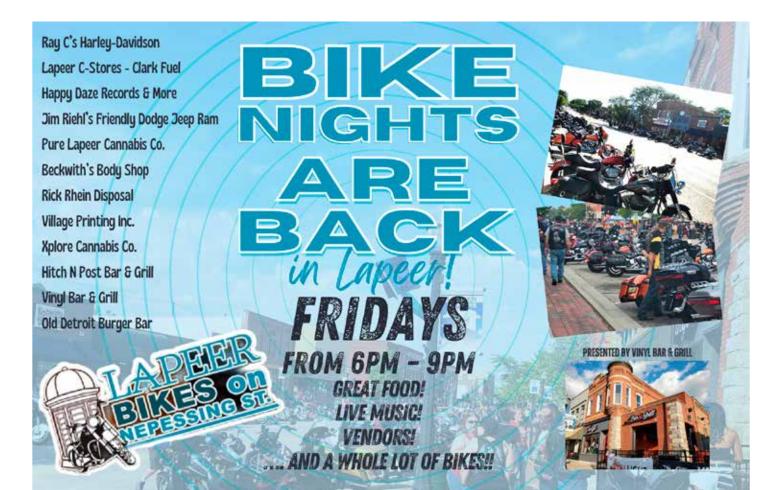








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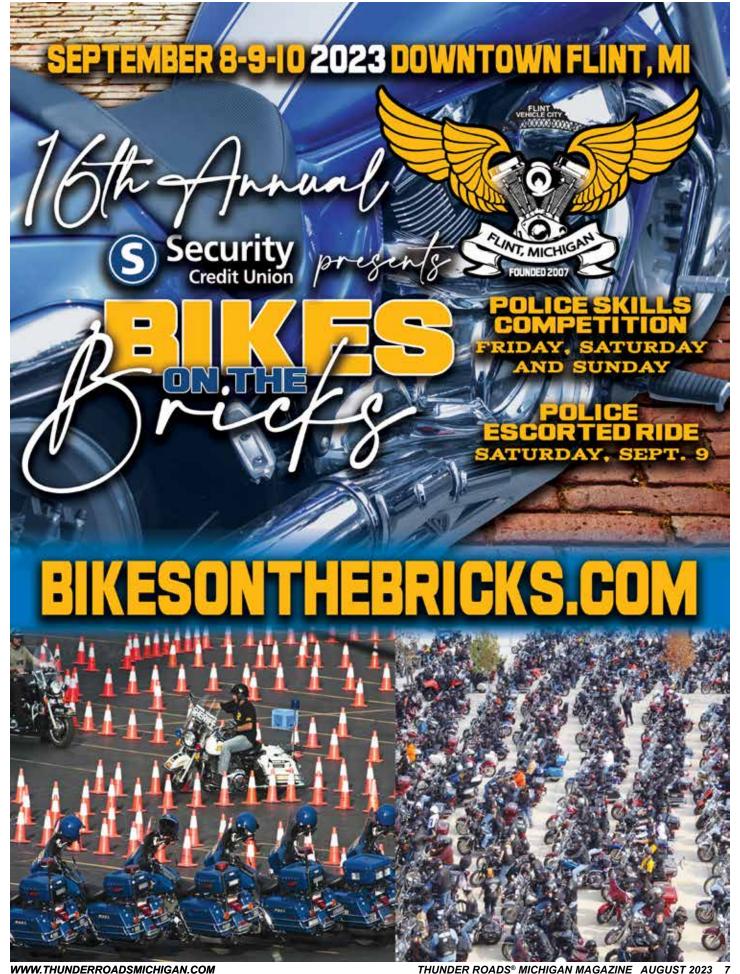
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The Legacy of "Bessie Stringfield" and Those Carrying the Torch

"It's a man's world" -James Brown

For many years, there has been a double standard in the motorcycle world between men and women. I presume due to the safety hazards and women are most known for being nurturers and home makers. However, it's a new era...AND hear them roar-MEOWWW! Just kidding, these ladies are pounding the pavement and making the sound of **Thunder** like an August storm in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In the 1930's, an African American woman set a goal of riding her iron horse across the United States. This was a trailblazing effort at that time in American history. Her bravery has left many women with big shoes to fill, or should I say, big tanks to fill.

Bessie Beatrice White, or Betsy Leonora Ellis, (depending on what records are located) was born in 1911 and after six

marriages, we now know this phenomenal woman as Bessie Stringfield. She was publicized for riding American made motorcycles, her first known ride was a 1928 Indian Scout, she then moved to a heavier bike made for long distance riding, but she owned many other bikes throughout her life. Her profession was a civilian courier for the US Army, and her 61 cubic inch Harley Davidson was her method of transportation. Little known fact, the American Motorcyclist Association created an award in her honor in the year 2000, The Bessie Stringfield Memorial Award."

Fast-forwarding to today, the women of 2023 are definitely "puttin' in work" to show that while it may be a man's world, it would be nothing without a woman. As I hit local and international motorcycle sets, women are showing up with their own works of art. From rice burners to touring bikes, Sisters of all nationalities are keeping Mrs. Stringfield's legacy alive and well. Here on the Detroit set, two women just made an amazing feat.

"FREE AND KELLEE DOES ALASKA!!" Their two-week, 8,087.5-mile journey was filled with laughs, tears, playing mechanics, and







Both ladies are avid riders and shared some valuable knowledge of their pilgrimage. For riders that plan to visit Alaska-stay tuned...

History of both riders:

Free: Also known as Amina Kidd with da Razz, was Born in Detroit, and grew up in Fort Wayne, Indiana around auto/bike racing. She was nicknamed Dr. Doo Little by Kellee due to her love for animals that was showcased during their trip. Her first bike was a 2016 Dyna, and she has since graduated to a 2018 Street Glide named Silver Bullet.

Kellee: The risk-taker born in Detroit. Her first bike was a 2010 Softail Rocker. Her riding mindset? "One bike for the road and another to go from 7 Mile to Belle Isle." Her current bike is a 2022 Road Glide CVO named Mean Grean. Fun-fact, *Kellee had already completed 48 states prior to the trip.*

What inspired you to go to Alaska?

Free: I wanted to explore the world on my own terms, and I had the time to do it.

Kellee: I love to go on the road and feel one with my bike. My friend and Sister wanted to go, and I also had time to do it. The date got pushed back a few times, but we made it happen!

What was the funniest part of your trip?

Free: We were coming back from British Columbia; we had made it to Washington State and had 3 minutes to get to the Ship Harbor Inn hotel that closed at 10pm. (5316 Ferry Terminal Rd. Anacortes, WA 98221...1-360-293-5177) While it wasn't funny then, it is hilarious now. There was

this "Demon Drop Driveway," we had no idea what was on either side of it; no streetlights, dark, and the GPS was little help at this very moment. Due to the safety-factor and the unknown, I started to consider going to another hotel, but Kelly talked me through it. However, my faith along with the advanced cycle class that I had attended to sharpen my skillset allowed me to cross the driveway and make the tight turn without incident. (Both ladies laughing while reliving the moment)

Kellee: Every time we stopped for gas, Free gave her bike a wash



with the squeegee at the gas pump. I said girl, the bugs are a signature of your being on the road. However, that is my sister and if that's what made her feel better, I was all for it.

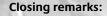
How much did the trip cost? (Without shopping LOLOL) Unison statement: Approximately \$3500.00 per person

What advice do you offer to

someone that plans to do this voyage?

Free: RIDE YOUR RIDE, pack for every season, but don't over-pack. Understand there are various styles of riding (aggressive, easy-going, or somewhere in between) and not everyone rides the same, appreciate them for who they are.

Kellee: Make sure you have dog tags with vital information, have numerous conversations with your riding partner prior to the day of the trip. Get gas early after crossing into B.C. and fill up at half tank or take a gas container with you.



Free: When you are on your 2-wheeled excursions, this is the time for you to be totally "FREE" and gain mental clarity. Enjoy it and take it all in, enjoy the views, the weather, and the time for yourself.

Kellee: Take an advanced rider's course, either at your local Harley dealership or one of the local community colleges. They will teach fast-paced cornering, tight turns, quick stops, maneuvering the bike at high speeds to avoid things in the road, etc.

These ladies earned the term "Scooter Bums."

While there are only so many words I can use for this month's article, there are so many women riders out there. I have included some pictures of other women on their various expeditions. If you know of any other lady riders and would like TRM to share their stories, send their names and short bio to editor@ ThunderRoadsMichigan.com, and of course ask for Smoke.

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THE MOTORCYCLE LAWYER ON THE LAW

MICHIGAN'S HANDSAFREE CELL PHONE

EXPLAINED BY JASON—THE MOTORCYCLE LAWYERSM

Michigan's new hands-free cell phone law went into effect on June 30, 2023. The legal citation for that statute is MCL 257.602b "Reading, typing, or sending text message on wireless 2-way communication device prohibited; use of hand-held mobile telephone prohibited."

WHAT CAN'T YOU DO NOW?

The new hands-free law pertains to "operating" a motor vehicle, which includes a motorcycle, while holding a phone. Basically, just holding your phone while behind the wheel is an infringement. You can get a \$100 ticket for merely being behind the wheel and holding your phone.

There are more serious penalties, including a \$200 ticket, if you violate the following:

You can NOT send or receive telephone calls;

You can NOT send, receive or read **text messages**;

You can NOT access, read or post on social media;

You can NOT view, record or transmit video:

You can NOT dial a number by hand;

You can NOT type an address into GPS or a navigation feature.

WHAT DOES "OPERATE" A VEHICLE AND "HOLD" A PHONE MEAN?

"Operate" a motor vehicle under this law means driving on a public road, but also includes when you are stopped in traffic, at traffic lights, and stop signs. Do not hold your phone unless parked off the roadway.

"Holding" your phone includes in your hand, arm, or shoulder.

POLICE CAN NOW PULL YOU OVER FOR HOLDING A PHONE

Police can pull you over: Just holding a cell phone while driving is a primary offense-- meaning you can be pulled over if a cop sees it.

Exceptions: This law doesn't apply to police, firefighters, emergency medical people, and first responders while doing their jobs. It does not apply to anyone calling or texting 911, the police or the fire department.

PENALTIES:

Penalties for operating a vehicle while merely holding a phone: First violation: \$100 fine or perform 16 hours of community service or both, no points.

Second & subsequent violations: \$250 fine or perform 24 hours of community service or both, 1 point.

Third violation: \$250 fine or perform 24 hours of community service or both, a driver improvement course and 2 points.

Penalties for operating a vehicle while holding a phone and texting, on a call, view/watch video or access social media:

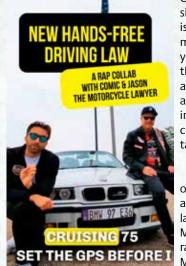
First violation: \$200 fine or perform 32 hours of community service, or both.

Second violation: \$500 fine or perform 48 hours of community service, or both, 1 point. Third violation: \$500 fine or perform 48 hours of community

service, or both, and 2 points.

These are civil infractions meaning no jail time.

Jason's analysis & advice: This law's goal is to cut down on distracted driving which is especially dangerous to motorcyclists.



Going hands-free should help significantly. My best advice is to put your cell phone in a mount as soon as you get in your vehicle. Section (3) (f) of the law specifically carves out an exception if your phone is in a mount. However, even when in a mount, you must use voice commands and single button taps or swipes.

See my rap video!: Check out the rap video I created and am featured in on this new law! It's called "Put it in the Mount" and is with Detroit rapper "Comic". See it at: www. MotorcycleLawyerMichigan.com



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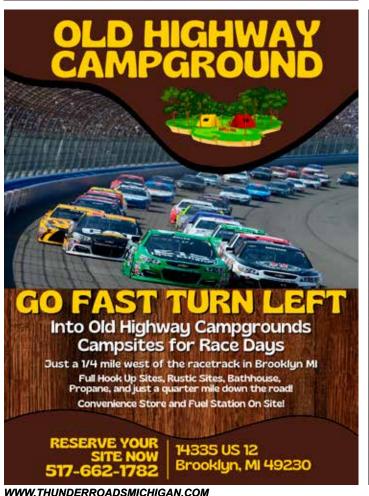


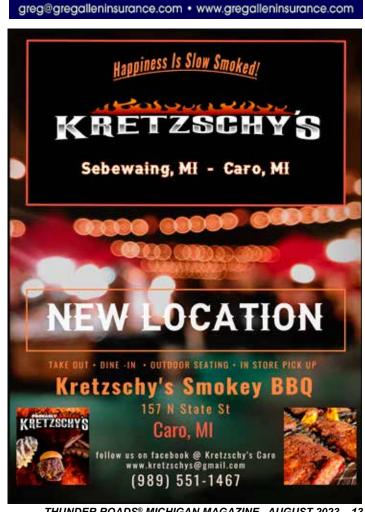
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OPAL'S RUN HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY!

Opal's Run 100 years old 07/08/2023

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hile passing time on Facebook, a post caught my eye in one of the "riding group" pages. It was shared by someone named Jenny and what got my attention was the adorably cute picture that she shared with it. I didn't know it at the time, but pictured in the photo was Jenny's mother Opal and their good family friend "Flipper" who I now know is like a son to Opal and a member of their family.

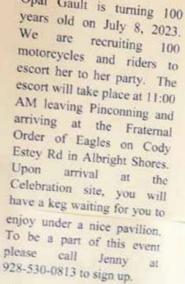
After reading her post, I knew I had to reach out to Jenny and find out more about Opal and her 100th birthday ride they were working on putting together. First, I sent Jenny a direct message mentioning I saw her post and asked if we could speak sometime soon. I didn't get a message back, so I wondered if she was getting bombarded with messages and decided to give her a quick call on the number she had listed in her post. We'll then I realized after calling about 4 times that I was dialing the last two digits of the phone number wrong. I couldn't understand why I kept getting the "number is disconnected" message. Duh. Anyhow, when we finally

Opal Gault is turning 100 arrival at the Jenny

connected it was a short conversation about how cool of an idea the ride was and how Thunder Roads Michigan Magazine would love to help get the word out. Her post was already exploding on Facebook

and the last time I checked it has gotten 306 loves, likes, and over 2.5k shares! Not to mention 252 comments!! Since then, they have gone ahead and created a separate Facebook page named Opal's Run for people to share their photos and memories of the day with her and each

The run started off as an idea that Flipper got when he and Opal were talking about motorcycles, and she got reminiscing on her childhood. She shared memories as a young girl riding on the sidecar of her uncle's motorcycle and at that time was just a slab of wood. She also said that she, her mother, and grandmother used to ride to town in her uncle's sidecar when they needed to. Now, let's think about that for a moment. Opal turned a hundred years old and there weren't a lot of motorcycle manufacturers back then. So, even though we can't be sure





of what kind it was, I can only assume. Harley just had their 120th Celebration this year and there is little question that her uncle was in the dawn of any motorcycle manufactures beginnings. Wow, right?? On top of that Opal said that her mother had ridden once from Oklahoma to California before in a sidecar!! Wow, that sounds like a great story and a lot of fun to imagine.

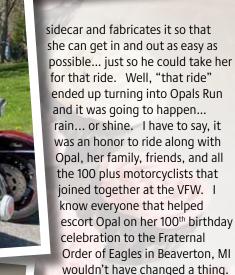
When Jenny and her family moved from Arizona to Michigan, they bought their home and some machinery along with it to help keep it maintained. One of those items happened to be a riding lawnmower and it wasn't long and the mower broke down. They needed help fixing it, so Jenny decided to put a post on the Pinconning yard sale site that she needed help getting their mower going. That's where Flipper comes in. He

responded and came over and not only got the lawnmower going but mowed their grass too! Ever since then he has been a part of their family. Jenny said he would joke about "working for food" and has become like

a son to Opal.

Now, with Flipper talking motorcycles with Opal, she got the assumption that he also owned a bike with a sidecar because of the conversations of going for a ride "some time." It would come up often from what I understand. Well, Flipper is made from the mold that most bikers come from, as Jenny said... he comes with a heart of gold. So, what does he do? He goes out and finds a

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Rain or not.

Fun fact: After visiting the FOE that day in later conversation, I found out that the FOE is one of Jenny's favorite karaoke spots. She claims to be a good singer and has the trophies to prove it! Not like we really need our arm twisted to hang out again. Let's start making

So, without question the riding community came through again! Even as one of the most rained out days we've experienced this riding season. Jenny believes the count was between

100 and 126 riders that showed up for Opal's Run and even WNEMTV5news jumped in and interviewed the great great great grandmother before the ride. I truly believe that there could have been closer to 300 riders if the weather had been better. Jenny said that they had over 200 registered prior to Opal's birthday! And YES, it was her real 100th birthday the day of the run and it was obvious that there was a lot of care and planning that went into it before her day. Jenny mentioned that Flipper was the one that reached out to the Jokers M/C and that they were a huge help in making sure this happened and were there for them





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every step of the way. The FOE staff rocked at getting everyone taken care of when we arrived. She said that even Representative Mike Hoadley went on the ride and signed the guest book they had. The FOE welcomed waterlogged riders with fresh towels, refreshments, and great hospitality. Jenny said that Opal enjoyed all the love that she was shown and that she had said "I can't believe how many kisses I got" and that her favorite part of the day was the ride itself and that she couldn't believe how many hugs and kisses she got and how many people wanted their picture with her. In life, Jenny said that no matter the circumstances surrounding her mother, she had always shown a positive attitude and was as strong as anyone she had known her whole life. It's what showed through and what brought their family together for Opals hundredth. Proudly she stated that they got it from their mother. Speaking of family, Opal is one of 8 siblings and she also had 8 children of her own. That's something that you don't hear of much any longer, but surprisingly when Jenny did some looking into her genealogy, she found out that there were at least 4 generations of eight over time!

I asked Jenny if she knew who had ridden the furthest distance to be there and she made mention of her son Mark. He had ridden his Trike all the way from Texas to Pinconning, MI to be there! She also shared that her sisters Barb and Debbie were there from North Carolina and so were some nieces and nephews. Her brother Mike made it from Indiana too and all of them being there was an example of how a family can pull together and the type of Mother Opal was to them. They have a large family and now it's even larger than they ever imagined.

When I asked Jenny if there were any other future rides planned, she said no, but Opal would love to go for another one when and if the opportunity presents itself.

Lastly, Jenny said that the Opal's Run patches have arrived. She wishes they would have made it in time to hand out the day of, but she has them now. If you went on the ride, she says she would be happy to hand you one and are welcome to reach out to her to schedule a time to pick it up. She said she should have plenty, however those that actually rode the ride should come first.











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What's the Veteran's Rights?

VAA partners with the Michigan Veterans Coalition to provide accredited veteran service officers across the state. The Michigan Veterans Coalition is comprised of representatives from the following five veteran service organizations: American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Vietnam Veterans of America, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Veteran service officers assist veterans and their family members to gather the information necessary to support a claim, file the claim and track its progress. They can also assist with filing appeals for denied claims. For more information visit www. michigan.gov/mvaa.

Here are a few organizations that can help any veteran out. There are several more that I have mentioned in past articles. The reason I am reiterating this is because I have been personally fighting for 5 years to get a good representative to finish my claim, I get the promise that they will help but then 6 months later when I check the status, I get no results, and I get all my paperwork back. It's the most frustrating and upsetting feeling to know that there are organizations out there designed to help but won't follow through to get our vets the help they need. It's bad enough that this country we fought for is going to hell, but then to have a representative that doesn't follow through to get you the help you need is extremely disappointing. And we wonder why our vets become homeless, have mental breakdowns, or commit suicide? This country needs to care about the ones who gave them the right to have a voice to protest, the right to vote, the right to stand up to our government.

If you have any issues with what is going on in Michigan, I strongly suggest you write, email or call your representatives in your area. Here is the link to search for your representatives, https://www.house.mi.gov/ don't hesitate to contact them. The only way we in Michigan are going to see any change is to keep writing, emailing, and calling them to let them know what each one of us needs and deserve. Please use your rights and get what you need done. Don't Give Up!!! IGY6

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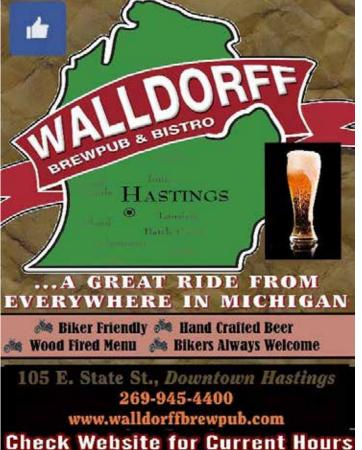
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at a great group of supporters! The OIS Riders want to thank everyone who came out and helped make the 3rd annual Mackinaw Rally a success! Unfortunately, Mother Nature gave us some rain, but the motorcycle enthusiasts were out in full force supporting Operation Injured Soldiers. There were attendees from as far south as Florida and Tennessee. Rain or shine motorcycle riders get out and have a good time, no matter what the weather, to raise money for a great cause. Many faces were repeat attendees, but there were a lot of new ones also. What they all had in common was donating to a charity and having fun! The OIS Riders were busy working at the poker stops and helped work the vendor booth in Mackinaw city selling rally merchandise. You can still go to their website www.injuredsoldiers.org for additional merchandise. Bikes, Babes, & Booze with Jim and Scott and Thunder Roads Magazine of Michigan and their crew were also hard-working supporters of this event that benefited Operation Injured Soldiers. Stephanie MacLeod and Maria Santo Fabro worked hard creating this event. Without this small army of volunteers and attendees helping to raise money we cannot create great events for our veterans.

The 17th annual Lyon Ride is coming up, and this year is a bit different. It is a self-guided Fun Run! Starting at the same place, Atchison Park but this year ending at the Historic New Hudson Inn. First prize is \$250, second prize is \$100, and third prize is \$50, plus there will be raffle prizes! Registration is from 10-11:30 with the last riders in by 2:30. The ride will be \$25 per rider and \$20 per passenger. T-shirts (for the first 200 registered), food, and music is included. This event is also open to bikes, classic cars, and any vehicle with a plate, this is a rain or shine event. The OIS Riders are working hard to make this a great event. If you would like to preregister, go to www.injuredsoldiers.org., and get your shirt at the event. If you would like to donate you can contact our office at 248-437-3130.

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This is Grace, my 2005 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail. I was able to purchase her in 2017 from a gentleman here in Michigan. This man bought this Heritage from Shiawassee Harley Davidson in Birch Run MI. Shortly after he bought this bike, he decided his bike needed an old school yet different vibe. He took the bike to a chrome shop in Wisconsin. This is where the transformation began.

The front fender, rear fender, gas tank and several other parts were dipped in a high-quality chrome process. The gas tank is a limited-edition Harley tank with the blown-out flames that really set off the old school look. The original owner was a member of the Patriot Riders and used this chrome plated work of art in parades and to help support veteran functions.

Unfortunately, his health prevented him from being on two wheels and after two or three years he decided to part with her. He put her up on marketplace where I was lucky enough to be able to get her. Being a US Army Veteran myself I assured him I would do my best to keep her like he had for as long as I could.

Well as time went by, I have only made a few changes, 12-inch mini apes, LED headlights, taillights, front LED switchback turn signals, intergraded crash bars driving / with switchback turn signals as well. Lighted back rest with integrated stop light. Custom air cleaner, heatshield and of course LED engine lights also integrated with brake lights and turn signals.

Performance wise, the top half has need bored .10 over with adjustable push rods, performance pistons just to give he a little edge over other soft tails. Don't be mistaken, she doesn't just look good, she gets put to work every day. I took her to the famous Dragons Tail Hwy 129 two years ago (yes, I rode her down). Right after the short little 1400-mile trip I was able to assist Pure Pro Wrestling with a show at Muskegon's Rebel Road.

She had 28,000 miles on her when I got her I the spring of 2017 and now she has 41,000 and going strong. Yes, she draws a lot of attention and I love to show her off. I get asked the most "that must be hard to clean". All I do is Windex hooked to the garden house and leaf blower 20 minutes I'm on the road. Bike show time well that a different story about 6 hours a can of Never Dull and a bottle of Jack.

She is surely one of a kind and I'm going to do my best to keep her in shape and continue to share her beauty as much as I can while still using her as my daily rider. I would like to give a special thanks to ThunderRoads.com for allowing me to share her with as many people as I can, and to Top End Cycles of Flint, MI. for the awesome top end upgrades.

Ralph of Swartz Creek Michigan









WYLD STALLIONS MOTORCYCLE BUILD

DEREK LONG FINAL UPDATE



hen you start a project like this, and you look forward in time it seems like all the time in the world. Well, there is an ongoing joke that I like to do where past Derek and future/present Derek don't get along because that past Derek always muffs it up for future/ present Derek and right now past Derek is being cursed because of the work load he left me. The changes I've made and life being life I wanted to be farther along, but there is that saying about make a plan and life will make it go differently and all I can say is that I've found a lot of truth in that statement. Still, the show goes on.

With all that said I've actually made some great headway on the build! I've reassembled the lower part of the motor together and placed the whole assembly back into the frame so I could set the jugs and covers on to check clearances and allowances for other parts. I've been putting the pieces in place and seeing how I will make provisions to make them fit. I am using a clutch



pedal and a brake pedal from an old flathead that I have hung that aren't functional yet, but it helps see the vision. I've always liked the look of split tanks and always wanted to do a set that was narrowed and hung to get that throwback feel. So, I took my old shovel split tanks, looked at them and started to mark them out. I just couldn't cut them. I just wasn't

A little back story when starting to put the puzzle pieces together for Wyld Stallions I reached out to a local blogger to see if they would be interested in covering and sharing the build and information on it and his response was "I would have a hard time getting people to stick with a build competition and they wouldn't want to sink that kind of money into building a custom motorcycle." With that in mind I have been chipping



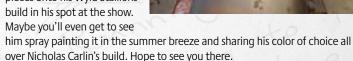
away at this build by sticking with the idea that I wanted to do it cheap. It's been kinda a personal goal so I can say in the end I did this... for this... and try to have that number be the lowest I possibly could.

Ok, back to the update. So, the bike I started with came with a solid tank and since I wanted a split tank it ended up being cut into

3 pieces. I ended up taking about 4 inches out the center of it to fit the

vision I had in mind. After that I cleaned up the edges and flat sided the tank pieces, blasted them, and hung them on the bike. I also cut and pieced together the exhaust and welded that together. Now the plan is to start at the back mount, the brake caliper, and move forward to disassembling. It will be a major accomplishment when I get to finish up the welding and cleaning so that I can then put it back together. If my calculations are correct, future Derek should be able to get this thing together on the day of the show sometime between 2-3 am and to be there by 9am





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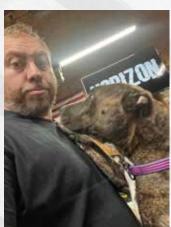
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inally, some big progress on the Shadow build. Got the electronics tank mounted and mocked up. Got the exhaust mostly built and made sure it clears everything, but I'm still trying to decide if I want to make slash cuts on the exhaust or turn outs. I guess we'll see the day of the show! Now, with most of the exhaust done I was able to finally pull the motor and get down to a bare frame. Next step for that is to pull the frame off the lift and remove all the unnecessary brackets and clean up some of

the welds. I'm waiting for my rear fender to come in so I can build mounting brackets for that. Once I get the mounting brackets made and all the welds and tabs cleaned up, I'll be ready to paint

Things that are left other than painting the frame and fender mounts are painting the tins, trimming the wiring, polishing the chrome and I'm sure I'm forgetting a bunch. I've started documenting my bike build on my YouTube channel while also promoting the Wyld Stallions Build Competition and the Owosso Vintage Motorcycle Days Show. Hopefully I can leverage that into enough votes to win the competition! I'm also still waiting for Derek to get over his irrational fear of technology and come on my podcast to talk about anything regarding the build competition.







Actually, I would love to have any of the other builders or the Thunder Roads Michigan crew on my podcast sometime as well. I look forward to seeing everyone in August.

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TERRY SCOTT FINAL UPDATE

■ have been working on the bike off and on for the last month. If you looked at the bike you might not think much has been done in the last month. However, I finished welding the frame and have been making brackets for different things. I also started doing some of the necessary bodywork on the bike.

I have been enjoying the journey this competition has taken me on. The day of writing this entry I got to go to Wauseon to look for some parts and inspiration. I found the taillight for the bike and some ideas for another build if I get the opportunity to do this again. Remember, one important aspect of this is to have fun and enjoy the journey and as always be safe, be cool, and be excellent to each other.





WYLD STALLIONS MOTORCYCLE BUILD CONTINUED ...









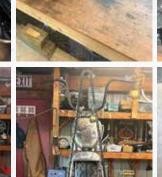
















ZACK JONES FINAL UPDATE

pdate time! First, I finally welded the oil bag filler cap and oil line bungs. Then moved to the rear fender. I fabricated it out of an old Ultra Classic front fender I had laying around. I decided to fab up a twisted sissy bar for the rear mount. It turned out pretty awesome! I then tore the bike back down to the frame. bore scoped the motor to see what condition it was n before I started to tear it down and rebuild. Turns out, it has been freshly rebuilt and bored 40 over! The crosshatch on the cylinder walls looks like it's barely been run since it was rebuilt. I was happy. Then I welded the mid controls. They turned out nice. I then mounted the brake booster and rear caliper to get an idea of how will run the brake line. I then got the clutch linkage and kickstand mount squared away. I am currently working in the exhaust routing, as stock will no longer work. Wish me luck! Just a little over a month away from the deadline and I think I can see the light! Lol

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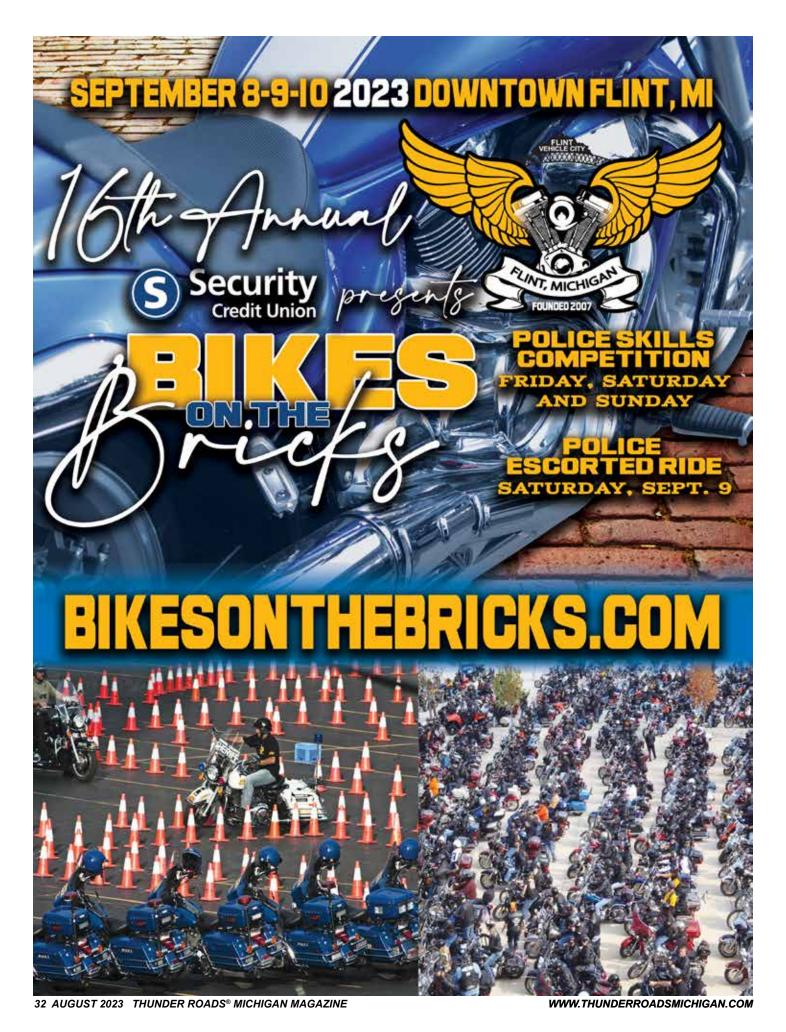
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Thunder Roads Michigan Magazine that our contributions as writers have a deadline of being submitted by the 10th of the previous month to make it to print on time for the magazine you are currently holding in your hand. Why am I telling you this? Well, a lot happens in our short riding season and sometimes by the time we do... some bad ass events have come and gone. So, even though it may seem like we are redundantly hashing out some of those events, there are always some good and fun things that happen at these events. And if you missed them, hopefully next year you can make one or two of them!

This August on the 19th, please try to make it to the 9th Annual Suicide Prevention Fundraiser Group Ride Event by Sherri Lynn Liverance, Tracy Rae and Larry Tack. The event kicks off at 10 am at Outlaw Pete's – 7658 Smiths Creek Rd., Goodells, MI. This is a great cause!

August will be a very busy month for Hot Rods Motorcycle Awareness and Suicide Prevention Foundation as we finalize the arrangements for our 3rd Annual Car & Bike Show. We have opportunities for sponsors, swap meet / vendor booths and raffle donations. If you would like to participate or support our fundraiser, please contact us.

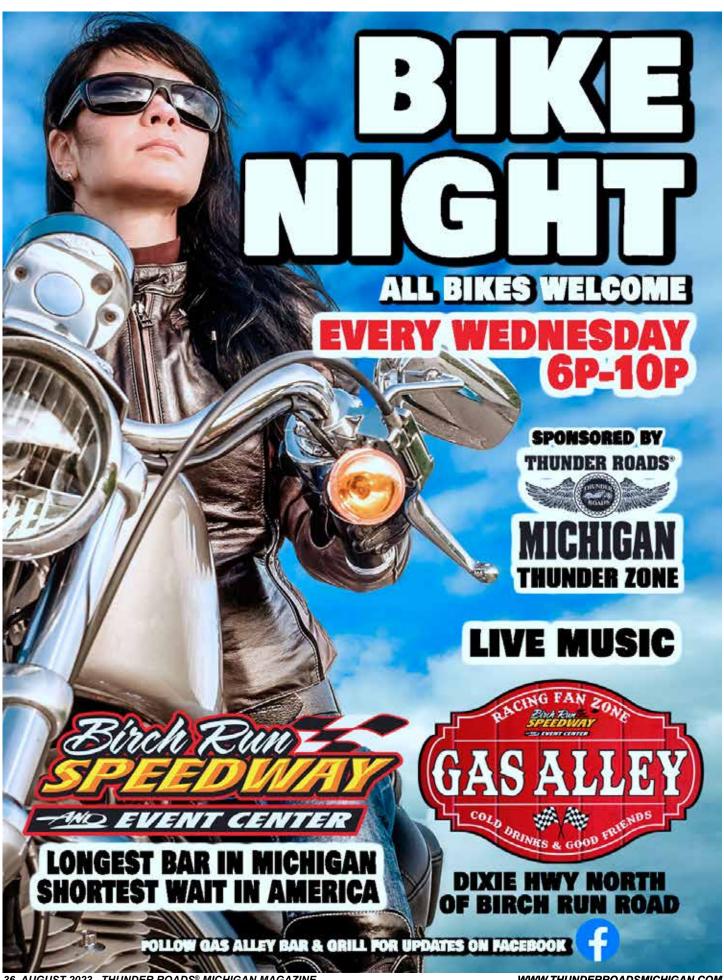
Mark your calendar for September 9th to come down to Wilson Park in Milan, MI for the event! It's not just an ordinary car and bike show. We'll treat you to some very cool people, awesome cars and motorcycles which will be judged by the public. We'll also have some amazing raffle prizes that you just won't find anywhere and great food too! For \$10 you can take a chance on winning a 1997 Harley-Davidson Dyna Wide Glide - a beautiful machine with less than 9200 miles with lots of extras.

As patriots, we will also have a remembrance of the September 11 attacks against the United States and those we lost. We will never forget that awful day. So please come and support us so we can help support the community to which we belong. Everyone can use help and we want to be there when they need it. God bless America, and God bless bikers and our military for keeping us safe! See you September 9th from 10am - 3pm. "Be Aware Motorcycles Are Everywhere"

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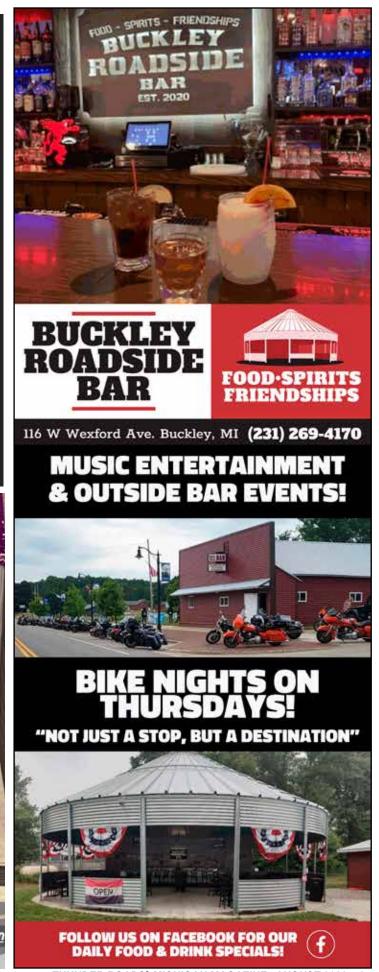
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MOTORISTA STUTES LIMING

to write about your beginnings, after a few years of being around a specific kind of group you expand and keep adding and it becomes a part of your world, so to pick it apart is not the easiest. I sat down to Write about motocross thinking Hell! This will be easy I'll just knock this one out quick!!!, (being

an every weekend thing for us) but instead, I stared at the laptop for two days before any words started to come to me.

Although my boys grew up moving fast, from power wheels, to pedal bikes, to the little 50's, and up thru their current racing machines, it wasn't until the spring of 2020 that shit got real for us!!

Covid shut the world down! All the sports we were involved with, including schools and groups, it seemed like everyone closed for health concerns. That left me with two very restless teenagers!! No one at the time could have imagined a silver lining coming from a worldwide pandemic, but here it is!!! Motocross!!

Both my boys rode for fun pre covid, but it was my youngest son (Lucas) who brought the idea of competitive riding to us!! Lucas had recently acquired a dirt bike, (nicer than any back yard beast he's ever had) from one of his longtime friends Ethan Worrell, who grew up on the track! Now not to pick sides but after a long conversation with Ethan's mom I was 100% all in!! It was Lucas's dad, Danny, that took some convincing. Here's the tricky part, his dad was not (at that time) ready to give the go ahead! To compete in an AMA sanctioned event, you need the permission of BOTH parents! If you are underage and you don't have both signatures you simply don't race until you can sign for yourself!

Lucas and Ethan had a plan, a dream that never diminished! From the time they first became friends they wanted to race Dirt bikes together and compete against each other!! (But what kid doesn't have the dream of being extreme!) It took a lot of persistence, and one well thought out 2-page essay, and presentation written by a 12-year-old, presented to his daddy to get the ok to go to "just one" practice day ANNNND that was about it!! From that point on (seeing the boys light up) it was full tilt ahead!! After that first practice, my oldest son Devin, being on hold from his sports, and Ethan's brother Brady, who already had some seat time in, all joined in and in a Blink of an eye, we had a race team!

A somewhat unique race team too, even though all of the parents are divorced, all 4 parents work together every







weekend to get both sets of brothers to the track and keep the kids on the track! We help each other out with transportation, gear and of course feeding the herd of hungry teenagers! I personally can't think of a finer example of co-parenting, or a better

way to be there for, and with our children while they work through these teenage years. They depend on us as much as we depend on them, to show up and to be there. In the age

























where most parents are getting pushed away this gives us a shared space where we are all needed to make it work!! On a personal level I'd much rather my boys be outside exercising in the fresh air, learning as a team how to use, maintain, and care for their machines than in front of a screen any day!!

Motocross

Motocross is an extreme competitive sport! This type of off-road motorcycle racing is held on an enclosed track or circuit full of high jumps, steep

slopes, and sharp turns. This competitive off-road racing is performed in large groups at all levels, from littles to adults on a dirt bike set up to ride through some of the roughest terrain possible! From the sand and mud, whoops and hills, to the jumps that send you flying 40+ feet in the air. The athletes who compete have an adrenaline-fueled drive that is unique to the dirt bike world! It's more than a passion! It is a way of life!

It takes a combination of seat time, extreme dedication, family, friends, and team support to race motocross! But why is it so special to the non-riders? What makes it a family activity? Well, a race weekend doesn't only mean getting your fix of competition, but it also means family time! Since there is quite a distance between tracks, we show up early, set up camp, stay the weekend, sleep in the dirt, work on the bikes between motos. It takes all of us to get to the tracks, we grill/ cook over the fire every night and cheer on our riders while they're out on the track giving it their all! This is not only a time for the athletes to put their quick thinking and skills to the test (both on and off the bike) but also a time for strengthening bonds of family, friends, and teammates that will last a lifetime! Motocross is not only my family's silver lining, but it has opened a world up to my boys that will now be part of who they are forever!

Please check out our calendar of events in Thunder roads® Magazine of Michigan and the AMA website at www.ama-d14.org for the district events and come support the off-road world!!

Story by Erin Fay/Madcap Imaging, Photographer, and contributor for Thunder Roads® Magazine of Michigan



o today was another beautiful day on the lake. Watching my grands swimming, hollering at the teenagers for their language, watching them play the great game of dodge ball. Now if you know me, I would rather be at the events that are being held around the great state of Michigan. Lol not really, Hove my grands. But if you are out on this beautiful day please enjoy your ride, the wind, and the sun. A.B.A.T.E. Has a lot going on till the end of summer. I will post the events so if you find yourself anywhere near them, you can go and hang out. We post a calendar every month and have things going on all year long. This is our chain of events. You can also go on our web page and check out the Michigan Rider Newsletter. It shares where all the regions are located and what's going on in those regions.

There are more in each region. Let me know which region is yours and I'll hook you up!

Aug 13	Reg 5	Family Picnic	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Aug 19	Reg 14	Just Because Run - Saline American Legion 320 Michigan Ave. 1st bike out	Ann: 734 790-7927
Aug 25 - 26	Reg 18	Aces & Eights Party	Dreama: 734 626-1280
Sept 8	Reg 5	Fall Rodeo	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Sept 10	Reg 11	Booba Paleoza Tour 2023	Rich: 586 524-6907
Sept 16	Reg 10	End of Summer Poker Run	

Sept 16	Reg 18	Family Picnic Reg's 14 - 15 & 18	Michele: 734 731-1576
Sept 17	Reg 11	Shine on for Shelby	Rich: 586 524-6907
Sept 23	Reg 11 & 7	Summer Tour End of the Year Party	Rich: 586 524-6907
Sept 30		Bike Raffle Drawing at Boot Hill Ranch - Three Rivers	
Oct 6 - 8	Reg 7	Carved in Stone - Evergreen Park	Tim: 989 670-9976
Oct 7	Reg 5	Toy Run	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Oct 14	Reg 18	Color Run/Halloween Party	Lady T: 313 290-3802
Dec 3	Reg 5	Christmas Party	Jerry: 231 578-2454
Dec 9	Reg 7	Christmas Party & Meeting	Marlene: 810 712-1600
Dec 9	Reg 18	Christmas Party/Chili Cook-Off	Michele: 734 731-1576

Here's another great article from our Prez that was in the July 2023 Michigan Rider.

The Prez Report - Vince Consiglio

Quite a ride home last night. I made up for my 28 days with no rain in one day. The camping materials are still drying. It was a good week for ABATE of Michigan!! We had our Lansing Rally on Wednesday, June 7th. We had an earlier start to the day because we had a call from State Senator Ruth Johnson that she was going to make a Senate Resolution regarding Motorcycle Awareness and wanted to have ABATE members present in the State Senate Gallery. Thanks to Eric, getting the word out to the RC's, just under 100 members nearly filled the entire State Senate Gallery for the Senate, June 7th. It was cold and there was plenty of leather in the building. Our group was well behaved and received a standing ovation from the state Senate. The message of "Look Twice Save a Life, Motorcycles are Everywhere," was well received. I want to personally say Thanks to all the members who were there and Thanks to all the members who are involved in motorcycle awareness and education for what they do. Some people talk about Awareness and Safety and others DO IT!!

Back to Lansing. In general, we are holding our own. There are no

anti-motorcycling bills in progress that I am currently aware of. The insurance issue has been stalled for 6 months at the time of this article. They want the perfect bill as it leaves Legislature Services. This is a different session. This is the 1st Democrat control legislature in nearly 40 years. Meaning, they have control of the state house, the state senate, and the governor's office. Bills get little debate, and they are voted on quickly. Let me make this clear, Motorcyclists are the ONLY group that the coverage in an accident goes to someone else!!

That is how the law was written. The next question should be why wasn't every rider in the state at the rally? Apathy, and it won't happen to me, is why. Matter of Fact, no other state has a law like this. This bill was passed because the INSURANCE LOBBY payback to losing the helmet bill fight, was we can screw motorcyclists another way. The then leader of the Insurance lobby told us that. You don't need to go to Lansing to talk to your legislative representatives. They live in your area. Pick up the phone or write to them and ask for positive action to correct this crime. Make a regional ride to their local state office, write letters at your meetings, and or invite them to the meeting and have them answer questions about it. The legislative session will take their summer break about the time you read this article. You don't need to go to Lansing to see or talk to them. Whatever they say, be professional. They have a vote on our issues. The insurance bill will get out of Legislative Services someday this year. We have had members who have not always been well received. Respond with a thank you, move on and let the legislative team know, so we can talk to them.

Be Safe out there. This is the time to ride and enjoy your motorcycle. We do live in a great state. The water, trees, beautiful rural areas. If they look like they are gonna turn left, they are. Do whatever it takes to stay alive, horn, movement in your lane, brake etc..., just do SOMETHING.

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Then one day, a scrawny little man, (if he turned sideways you'd miss him for sure) wearing a scratched set of glasses, and at least a ten year old torn suit, walked in and said, "I'd like to take on the bet."

After all the laughter in the bar settled down, the Barman said, "Let's do this then", grabbed up a fresh lemon, squeezed away and handed the little man what seemed to be wrinkled remains of the lemon rind.

The crowd's laughter turned to total silence...the man clenched his little fist around the lemon as everyone witnessed 5 full drops fell into the shot glass. Everyone was in shock.

As the Barman paid the \$1k bet, he asked, "What do you do for a living? Are you a metal worker, work at the circus or maybe a cow farmer?'

The little man collected his winnings, placed them in his pocket and said over his shoulder as he was leaving, "No, I'm a Tax Man."

A blonde wanted to go ice-fishing. She'd seen many books on the subject, and finally getting all the necessary tools together, she made for the ice. Suddenly, from far away, a voice boomed, "There are no

fish under the ice!"

Startled, the blonde moved further down the ice, poured a thermos of coffee and began to cut yet another hole. Again, from the heavens the voice bellowed, "There are no fish under the ice!".

She moved once more and was about to cut her 3rd hole when the voice screamed, "There are no dang fish under the ice!, just stop!"

The blonde stopped immediately and looked up and asked, "Is that you Lord?"

"No!!! This is the Manager of the hockey rink!"

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How I Learned To Mind My Own Business -I was walking past the mental hospital and all the patients were shouting, "131313"

The fence was too high to see over, but I saw a little gap in the planks so I looked through to see what all the fuss was about. Some jerk poked me in the eye with a rounded stick and they all began shouting, "14 1414."

A dying husband in a hospital bed asks his wife, "Ya' know, our seventh child always looked different from the other six. It's crossed my mind a few times over all these years, did he have a different father?"
He wife, crying uncontrollably answered, "Yes, he did."

" I thought so", replied the husband. "Who was it then?" The wife could barely reply, and whispered "Yours!"

Vern and Earl were at the bar and as usual were discussing matters of the world and this night's topic was, song lyrics of various music artists.

Vern said, "Well, one thing I do know for sure is the scariest part of that song "Born to be Wild", is when they find a head out on the highway."

A husband and his wife were at the breakfast cafe of a nice hotel they had spent the night, when their waitress walks up to the table and the husband turns and says, "Oh my, aren't you pretty."

The waitress replies, "Why, thank you sir."

His wife jumps right in and says, "Dear, why don't you tell the pretty waitress about your erectile dysfunction!" The husband turns to the waitress again and says, "Please allow me to introduce my erectile dysfunction, her name is Margaret."

Vern and Earl were at the bar, again discussing matters of the world and this night's topic was, what makes good little appetizers.

Earl stated very matter of fact, "Well, I don't care one dang bit for them Triscuts and believe they are the perfect snack for anyone that has ever had the urge to eat wicker furniture."

An elderly woman was walking her dog when a young man grabbed her purse and ran away.

I immediately walked up and asked if she was ok and she smiled and said, "it's really no big deal, I just carry that old purse to put my dog's poop in till I get home and dump in compost pile behind the shed."

My kid: I feel like you're always making up rules and stuff. Me: Like what?

Kid: Like if I don't clean my room a portal will open and take me to another dimension.

Me: Well, that's what happened to your older brother. My kid: What older brother? Me: Exactly.

And will leave you with one positive thought Teguila may not fix your life, but it's worth a shot!







shout SHOUTOUTTO ADDISON

This shout out goes to my daughter Addison. Addison was born and raised in the biker lifestyle. She has been riding with her dad and papa since she was old enough to hold on. At age 12 Addison was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. After intense surgery and a rough battle with chemo, our warrior received the words of remission in September 2019. We Love you Addison! Keep living her best biker life!!! Love, Mom, Dad, McKenzie & Joel





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19 Annual Marion Car, Truck, Bike, & Rat Rod Show VFW 530 E. Main St. Marion, MI Registration 8:00am-11:00am Contact Info: Gary @ 231-679-1265 Marioncarshow@gmail.com

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2nd Annual Columbiaville **Motorcycle Days Amy's Downtown Reservoir Bar and Grill** 4488 1st St. Columbiaville, MI See ad for details!

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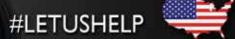
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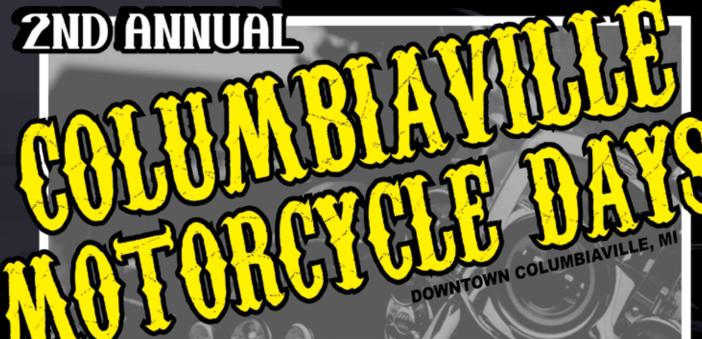


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