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- 10 am – 11 am:** American Legion Post #370 Poker Run supporting Ogemaw County Veterans registration in Freedom Pavilion.
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- 4:30 pm:** Motorcycle Rodeo registration and rider meeting in Grandstands pit area.
- 5 pm:** Motorcycle Rodeo starts in Grandstands.
- 7 pm:** Entertainment in the Chief Ogemaw Pavilion. All My Friends Iron Snake
- 11 pm:** Group bonfire at East end of campgrounds.

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LETTER FROM OWNERS

May was Motorcycle Awareness month...

That doesn't sound right, or make any sense, right? Well, you probably already know what I'm going to say next and probably already said it yourself. Every month is Motorcycle Awareness Month! Or every day should be. Same gist. While I am still delving into the disbelief of losing someone very close to us in the past few weeks on a bike, I have been pondering how I was going to write this letter this month. It is terrible that as motorcycle riders we are forced to accept the risks that are out there every single day. I'm not talking about the gravel, the grass clippings, and all the critters on the side of the road. I'm talking about other people on the roads watching for us. I find myself deleting and deleting repeatedly because I sounded too angry when I read it over. So, instead of jumping on my soapbox with two feet and sounding angry at the world, I'll just share a little home life and a few facts instead.



11 teens die a day because of texting and driving. My son is 15 years young and has been on me for almost a full month on helping him get a moped. “It would help him get around town and to get where he feels he needs to be this summer.” I'll say, he pleaded his case well and hasn't really been badgering me like he would in the past. Is my boy growing up?? I'm in, but we had to discuss this a bit more before making any decisions. I asked him if he had spoken to his mother about it yet and mentioned that we would also have to speak with Aly about it too. After all it would be convenient for us to not have to run him all over town all the time, he could be responsible for himself a little more, and he does have a chunk saved up to help with the cost. Plus, it was fun thinking back to being his age and how much fun it was to hit the road on two wheels! It feels empowering even if it's on a moped. I'm in! **Currently 1 out 4 accidents are caused by texting while driving.** So, then I start slinging the questions at him to see how much planning he had actually put into this idea. I knew he had some cash saved up because he was already saving for an electric mountain bike, but he's also been on this shoe collecting kick. All I can say is “squirrel” when it comes to his savings attempts. So, I ask how much money do you have left to pitch in on a moped son? Me, with surprise - Okay! Who do you know that has one already? He didn't realize I was asking him that question out of both humor and out of curiosity because I know from experience that it's usually where it all starts - lol. The questioning continued. Okay, how long have they owned it and have you been with them when they have been riding it? Okay, do you think they are good at rider? Are they riding legally, and do you think they are being cautious and safe out there? Have they got in any trouble with it since they got it? Are they aware of the rules of the road? Oh?... I pause and then... hmmm, okay. So, do you think you would be a better rider than them and more importantly, a safer rider? Well, he had some good answers until the last few questions. Thankfully, he was honest with me, and he admitted that he had rode his buddies moped (duh) and that he had seen him blow stop signs and drop it coming to stops. Sound familiar? He then proceeded to tell me about all his buds' bad habits without realizing I was imagining him riding alongside him the whole time he was talking. Okay, I'm thinking that I'm glad he sees his buds' faults, but this is his close buddy and I know what one does, typically the other will follow. So, all the fears I had in the back of my mind started to come out. I was in, but now I'm back out again! I admitted that I wasn't ready to say yes. My fears as a parent got me. I

needed to walk away from the conversation for a bit to question my fears and if I was being fair or not. I needed to think about it more. So, I'm back in again, but not without a good sit down together with him. We had the talk again. The one about all the dangers people that ride two wheels face on the road each day and always being aware of our surroundings. This isn't a new conversation between us since I have owned motorcycles his whole life. I've never really been without one since he was born. He's been on most of them over the years with me. That's beside the point. I needed to make sure I brought up how things are different these days compared to when I was his age. Not only while riding two wheels, but when we are driving our cars too! Oof, he doesn't even have his drivers permit yet and I'll save my early year stories for a much later date! - lol. While shaking my head at myself, it was hard for him to imagine that cellphones didn't exist “back in the day.” Texting while driving didn't exist. It wasn't even a thing for us, and it's gotten to be crazy out of control. I'll say it... I'm 100% okay with the state stepping in and governing when it comes to this worsening issue. Regulations need to be made. I DO believe that cell phones need to be harnessed while driving and that certain apps do not need to work while a vehicle is moving. Let's be honest, we are all guilty of picking up our phones from time to time while on the road. It's a sad fact and please let this comparison sink in...

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I guess my point is this, it's a shit show out on the roads these days and I'm tired of losing friends and loved ones out there. I'll keep cutting the grass around my “Look Twice” sign in my front yard for all those passing by to see, we'll keep sharing and posting through the month of May about Motorcycle Awareness, and we'll renew our ABATE membership when it comes due to support the cause, but we all need to do more! We need to do more for each other! We need to do more for all the future riders like my son. Have conversations regularly with your families and children that are just learning to drive. Have conversations regularly with those you meet that don't ride. Make it a point to talk about the risks we face as motorcyclists and what we all can do together to make it safer and broaden the chance that we get to come home safely. Yeah, it's June and May was Motorcycle Awareness month, but I really do want to be able to ride with my son for as long as I can when he's old enough to join me. I hope we'll be able to do so until I just can't ride anymore. That



includes both Aly and I. Not because it was cut short by unfortunate or unnecessary reasons that could have been avoided. After all, what is stepping on a “soapbox” worth and what good does it do if nobody stops to listen? It's great to share our awareness posts on biker pages and groups and in biker magazines, but it's everyone around us that needs to see and hear it too! Not just us riders! I pray that my son listened to what I've said and



that the Lord blesses him and you with safe journeys, always. Sam Villegas, you are gone, but never forgotten. #LockTite We hope to see you out on the Thunder Roads® of Michigan! RJ & Aly

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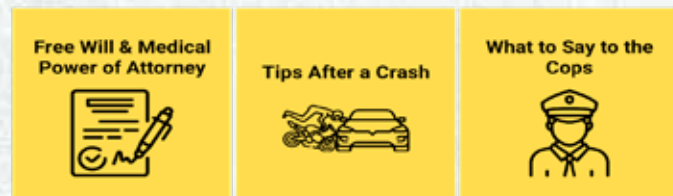
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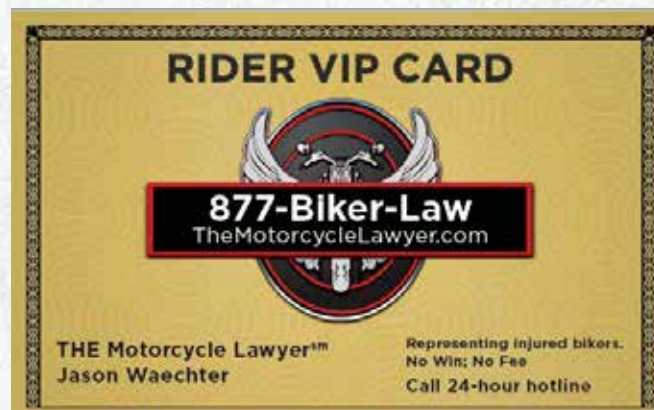
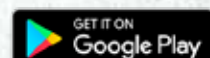
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Aly and I wanted to say thanks to Smoke for inviting us down to Detroit for the 1st Annual Black & Yellow Picnic on May 13, 2023. It was hit or miss with the weather, but it turned out to be a beautiful day for a ride and great company. Especially after our original plans were ruined with truck problems. It just pushed us to go for a ride and it turned out to be a perfect day.

So, thank you to Smoke and everyone there that made us feel completely at home and welcomed! Aly and I had a great time meeting everyone. Plus, we finally got to see Smoke again since he made the journey up north for our Saddle Switch Party.

Sincerely,

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DEREK LONG UPDATE

Since my last build update our time has been spent with birthdays, easter and some shit weather that has been more of a hindrance then anything (and as I type this, we're in the 80's!) funny how that works.

Also, since my last update I endured the last days of my grandmother's life and pondered what is a life well lived? She was the sweetest soul. My thoughts have filled my time searching for the answer, but it's still not clear. I guess for some it might be materialistic possessions, or accomplishments that are referred to as milestones. Then again, I believe that there are people out there just getting through the day to day with the hope that it'll work itself out one day. Even though I have not produced a clear answer to this, I do know working on motorcycles has given me the time to reflect, think, and learn new things about being more self-sufficient. Even though life has been slowing me down and I feel like my build is moving kinda slow, it's still pushing me to learn some new stuff along the way.

In April, I had no real design in mind when I threw the frame in the jig except that it was getting cut! So, it was a no turning back moment as I proceeded to chop off the rear. With the cold coming to an end and people knowing riding is right around the corner swap meet season was in full swing. I found myself searching for parts at the Detroit area swap and picked up some stuff that is yet to be determined if any of it will go into this build. While at the swap I got to hang out with the Thunder Roads Michigan team and some other rad peeps that I bumped into. So, no matter what I took home for parts... it was worth the cost of admission.

Getting back into the shop, I decided it was time to do and not think any longer. After all, thinking only gets me in trouble! I started by bending and marking some welding rod to kinda get an idea of what I wanted to do. I did this until I found the angles to produce my idea into a hardtail section. Then I went to work with the most used tool that I have, my grinder. The cutting discs and flap discs provided by Empire Abrasives have continuously exceeded my expectations. As quickly as I pulled the trigger it sliced through and removed any excess metal with no problem. I had a roughed-in hardtail section! Afterwards, I worked on finishing the welds on the frame that I have so far, put the rear tire on the rim, cut down my cam cover to give it a slimmer look, written a plan in my head moving forward, and hoping that my plans will come to fruition. I do have a tore apart motor still, but I've got all the necessary pieces. Ha! I even traded an old-timer and an old bolt on hardtail section for the necessary parts to turn my motor into kickstart! I've found it fun since it confuses the creature comfort people who ask "So you're taking a push button start and making it so you have to jump on a pedal to be able to ride away?? Yes! If I gotta explain it, you wouldn't understand-lol.

So, with all that stated, all I want to do is garage rat shit, with my garage rat friends. Especially without having to heat up the workshop before getting going! Also, having most of my parts or with them arriving shortly is making me feel a little more at ease. Again, thank you for following our Wyld adventure and remember "All We Are Is Dust In The Wind, Dude."- (Theodore "Ted" Logan)!



JON WYSONG UPDATE

This month I come to this check in with a heavy heart. It has been very hard for my family and me. I lost my Dad Steven Eugene Wysong on March 30th. and I find myself at a loss for words so I will keep things short. My Dad lived an amazing adventure filled life and was loved by many. He taught me how to shoot, fish, camp, and countless other things. I love you Dad and miss you terribly...

Unfortunately, this update is more of a continuation of sad news. Since my father's passing, my mother suffered a barn fire that took out her source of income and all of her equipment and animals. I've spent the last month working on cleaning up and figuring out where to go from here. Between what's happened, going to work, and getting my late father's affairs taken care of; nothing has been accomplished with the build. I'm going to hopefully hammer down and get a bunch of work done over the next few weeks. Fingers crossed nothing else crazy happens. While I have been going through all of that, progress on the build has been slow to say the least. The plan from here is to get the engine and the transmission mounted so I can get to work on the fender, oil tank, and battery box. That is about all I have for now so until next time take it easy.



NIC CARLIN UPDATE

After clearing out the no longer necessary subframe I laid out where I wanted my cuts to be for my hardtail section. But before I actually cut anything, I made a strut that would take the place of the mono shock and set my ride height. Once the ride height was where I wanted it, I started cutting away at the frame and the swing arm leaving enough material to weld to. With the frame and swing arm sections out of the way I stuck my new frame rails inside the old frame rails and got them situated to tack them in place. I then plug welded the rails in place to lock it in so I would be able to remove the shock mount and get my new seat mounts in place. After I got everything in place and where I wanted, I fully welded it out. Now I have a hard tailed Honda shadow!

Unfortunately, since doing that there's not much else to update because I've been dealing with some family issues and BMD that's been taking up a lot of my free time. I'm also currently trying to finish up another bike build that has taken time and attention away from this one. If I can get it off my lift, then I can move my hard-tail Shadow onto it soon. The first thing on the list once the bike is in the lift is to start fabricating the exhaust so I can get it sent out to get chromed. Then I'll work on getting the motor pulled and cleaned up so that I can get the frame cleaned and prepped for paint. Stay tuned!



TERRY SCOTT - UPDATE

Not much of an update. My wife was on spring break, so we went away for a little bit. Plus, Easter took away from working on the bike. I did, however, get the bike stripped down and was able to power wash it to get the years of road grime off. I also have been arguing with the bike-lol. It wants me to go in a different direction with the build! I do believe If you listen, they can tell you what they want to become, and this is one of those times. I think its new direction will be a better way to go so I have been working on figuring out the new hard tail section for the bike. It's a new look! I have also been going through some parts I have collected over the years to use and I believe I do have many of the parts I am going to need.

Still, I've had to machine some parts for it too. Some of my ideas have worked and some haven't. I did get the bike running and on the lift! Now that I've started to build the hard tail for it, the bike and I have come to an understanding of its final design. I think it will be cool and different... isn't it that reason we do this?! I am not finished with the hard tail yet so I'm not ready to show any pictures. The thing to remember is that custom bike building is a journey not a race. A lot of times it takes longer than we like, but the end results will be worth it.

Until next time as always be safe be cool and be excellent to each other!



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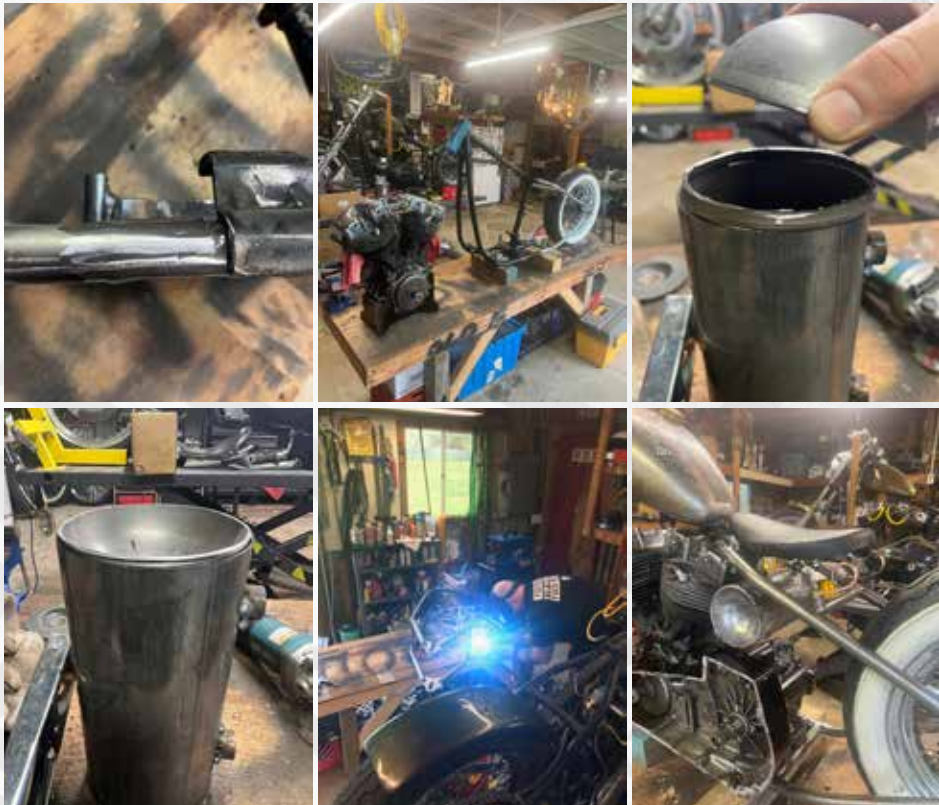
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ZACK JONES - UPDATE

Well, we took some time off and didn't really get to the project bike until lately. With the weather warming, we all needed to get the daily riders ready. Had to take care of the crew! Especially since we are planning on getting some miles in the saddles this summer.

We've started the ratchet top 4 speed tranny rebuild, and now currently waiting on the gasket kit to put it back together. Old E and I finished all the final welding and grinding on the hardtail frame. Pretty happy with how it came out. I then cut the rear wheel spacers and got the rear tire and transmission alignment right on. Then, welded together a TC Bros. oil bag with a few alterations, so it wouldn't be like everyone else's. Got it mounted and it's looking good! We've also tried a few different styles of handlebars but still not sure what we will go with. Once we mount the rear fender and get the mid controls figured out the frame should be ready for powder coat.



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RESOURCES FOR VETERANS

There are a wealth of resources and organizations dedicated to serving veterans and their families in recognition of their service and sacrifices made. There are a tremendous number of resources out there, many of which can be accessed by <https://www.michiganveterans.com/>. We wanted to include a few items here worth mentioning specifically, but will have far more online at <http://thunderroadsmichigan.com/> – just click on the veterans tab.

Veterans Crisis Line

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Veterans Health Administration (VHA) has established a national Veterans Crisis Line to ensure that Veterans in emotional crisis have free, 24/7 access to trained counselors. To operate the hotline, the VA partnered with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Veterans, family members, and friends can call the lifeline number, 800-273-TALK (8255) and press “1” to be routed to the hotline and speak to a counselor about any issue that is creating a crisis situation in his or her life.

State Hunting and Fishing

Eligibility: Michigan provides for eligible resident disabled Veterans and former prisoners of war to receive a fishing license, hunting license, fur taker permit, deer permit, wild turkey permit, wetlands habitat stamp or any combination of these licenses free of charge.

More information can be found at <https://militaryhuntingandfishing.com/michigan/>

County Veterans Service Offices

In Michigan, each county has a Veterans Service Office which is staffed with professionals that are certified and dedicated to helping Veterans, their spouses, and children, as well as surviving family members of deceased Veterans. They can assist veterans in applying for benefits earned by active military service. These include:

Federal – Disability Compensation, Pension, Healthcare, Education, Home Loans, Burial and Survivor Benefits

State – Veterans Bonus, Education, Employment, Healthcare, Home Loans, Michigan Veterans Homes, and Military Injury Relief Fund.

Local – Claim Preparation and Assistance, Financial Assistance, Transportation to VA Medical Appointments, and Indigent Burials.

Many County Veterans Service and County Records also make Veterans ID Cards.

Michigan Veterans can find their local Service Office by calling 800-MICH-VET (800-642-4838) or by visiting <https://www.michiganveterans.com/>

American Legion Riders

American Legion Riders chapters are well known for their charitable work, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for local children's hospitals, schools, veterans' homes, severely wounded service members and scholarships. Since

2006, riders nationwide have participated in the Legion Legacy Run, to annually raise money for the Legacy Scholarship Fund, established to provide scholarships to children of U.S. military personnel killed since Sept. 11, 2001.

There are chapters all across Ohio. You can visit the group page on Facebook, American Legion Riders of Michigan – or visit your local American Legion for more information. You can also visit online at – <https://michiganlegion.org/riders>

Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association

We are an Association of Combat Veterans from all branches of the United States Armed Forces who ride motorcycles as a hobby. Our mission now is to support and defend those who have defended our country and our freedoms. Our membership is comprised of Full Members (those with verified combat service) and Supporter Members (those who have non-combat military service and have a sincere dedication to helping veterans). Many members continue to serve in our Armed Forces, with several serving in combat areas now. Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association has over 250 Chapters in all 50 states, along with 2 in Germany and 1 in South Korea.

Veterans interested in learning more about Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association can visit: www.combatvet.us or <http://www.cvmami35-4.org/>

U.S. Veterans Motorcycle Club

The U.S. VETERANS MOTORCYCLE CLUB (USVMC) is a veterans' motorcycle club and is comprised of members from all branches of Service. It was born on the principles: 1) To show respect for all Veterans who served honorably. 2) To promote the true meaning of Brotherhood to all members. 3) To continue to support our Active-Duty Military. The Michigan chapter is dedicated to helping those who serve or have served, including those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Connect with us on Facebook USVMC Michigan or visit our website at <https://usvmcmi1.org/>

Veterans supporting Veterans at the Stand Down <https://www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp>

VFW Riders

We are a Riders Club comprised of VFW members. This includes Veterans, Auxiliary & Social Members. You must belong to a VFW to join the Riders Club. We enjoy riding with others, with a common theme in mind.

Our mission is to raise awareness for all VFW Posts, Veterans, Active-Duty Service Men & Women. We raise monies to donate to Veteran Organizations. We have escorted a Congressional Medal of Honor Winner. We escort funerals of Veterans. We attend functions to help educate people as to what belonging to a VFW is all about.

District 4 <https://vfwmidist4.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=17935>

Other Resources for Veterans

If you have other health or human resource needs, please consider contacting your local

United Way. Just dial 2-1-1 on your telephone to be connected with the United Way health and human services hotline. The United Way can help you find programs to help with needs ranging from medical, housing, mental health, heat, electricity, food, etc. Your local VFW branch can also be of assistance. Many have clubs, committees, and volunteers to help address issues of local veterans.

Along with transportation, the United Way, churches, and Aging programs may offer other services to individuals in need. Look for programs that assist anyone in need rather than strictly searching for veterans' programs.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs <https://www.va.gov/>

Veterans Benefits Administration Home Page <https://benefits.va.gov/benefits/>

Disabled American Veterans <https://www.dav.org/veterans/>

Veterans of Foreign Wars <https://www.vfw.org/home/>

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“The Red Lady” is my second Harley-Davidson that I’ve owned. My first was a Dyna that I put a ton of miles on, but nothing compares to my 2012 Limited! I bought it last August from Sandy’s H-D and I’m loving it! Since purchasing it last fall, I’ve been able to put about 3,500 miles on her. I think I just topped 15k miles. I had to look at my miles after saying that... so, I currently have 15,068 miles to be exact and I can’t wait to put on more!



So far, the longest trips I’ve done have been towards Lansing and the Fall ABATE Region 8 ride last year from Holland to Muskegon where we met some other riders from ABATE Region 5 and then rode to Newaygo. However, I do have a surprise visit up my sleeve to Wisconsin! I have buddy named Don that I’ve never met in person who lives across the pond, and I have plans to surprise him in July. Funny thing is, we just got talking one time about car racing and here we are 6 years later. I’m hoping he doesn’t see this before I make it there – lol.

My wife Carolina also rides but has taken some time off because she is due to have our baby girl soon. She rides a 2021 Honda Rebel and we both used our bikes to do our little one’s gender reveal. Pink smoke was just rolling from our exhaust pipes!! We are both so excited that we are having a baby girl!! We are lucky to have a family that loves to ride together.

My next ride I have planned is to the 51st Annual Blessing in Baldwin, MI. Last year I missed it, but I’m soo ready to make it for this one.

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June: A month with so many things going on that it's almost impossible to keep up with all of the events that you would like to attend, so you try to make it to the ones that interest you the most. Being with your friends and fellow bikers that you haven't seen over the winter is like a flower blooming, the excitement overcomes you and it seems like everything is gonna be just fine!

Recently we had the honor of donating to foster care children in Lenawee and Monroe Counties, they were very appreciative of the blankets, health and beauty items, back packs, and luggage that we were able to give them.

We also went to Dundee Community Schools and presented 2 "buddy benches" during their school board meeting. The benches include the inscriptions: "You are NOT Alone" and "Call 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline". Thank you to Scott Leach, Superintendent of schools, for giving us the opportunity to donate the benches, and provide information on an important resource for all students that may need support.

We'll be at the Milan community fair on June 1st, 2nd, & 3rd at Wilson Park, 89 Wabash St. in Milan. As well as the Mayfly Music Festival on June 16th and 17th at Wolverine Park in Downtown Dundee. Come check us out! We'll be spreading the word about motorcycle awareness and suicide prevention. Also, please mark September 9th on your calendars. This is our 3rd annual car and bike show where we'll have lots of great things happening. More to come...

Our next meeting will be June 11th at 4pm at the American Legion in Milan. Pay us a visit and see what we're all about. You will enjoy being around good people and awesome bikers! Check us out on Facebook.

One last thing I would like to say to everyone who still has children or grandchildren in school, PLEASE pay attention to bullying going on around your children. It is so important to be aware if it's happening to our children.

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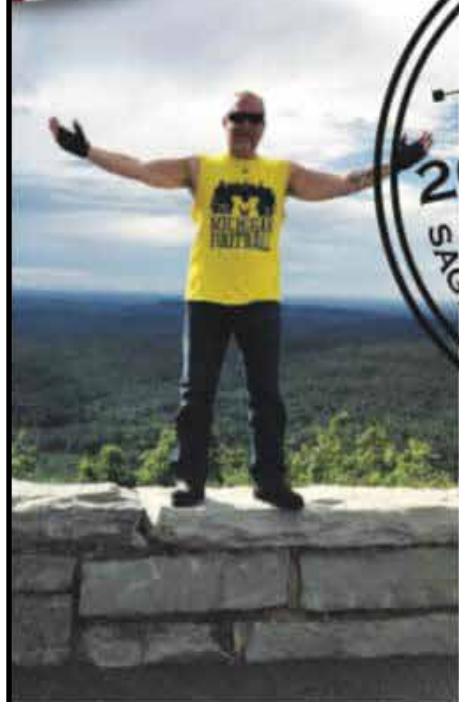

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- All bikes on the road by noon
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- All cards must be turned in by 5:30pm

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This event was started in memory of our good friend, Loving Husband, Dad and Grandpa. Kevin Beemer loved Jesus and loved to ride, so what better way to honor him than to have a Blessing of the Bikes in his name and in his City. Immediately following the blessing we will have a poker chip run.

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The last month has been such an exciting time for the Motor, Lakes, and Trails segment of Thunder Roads® of Michigan!! From watching the Motocross kick off their season at Valley MX during the Easter weekend, to the opening day of Baja Acres, to the first ATV and Trials events..... The tracks are all opening their gates and the riders that have been waiting all winter are pouring in!! Spring is now in full swing and I'm off to my next off-road discipline...



(Picks Easter weekend at Valley MX)

As most of you know the AMA (American Motorcycle Association) oversees the regulations of off-road racing, but did you know they also regulate the rules and regulations for ATV and trail riding as well?

Our great state houses so many different disciplines of off-road racing, I could give you a new one each



month and not run out for years. This month I would like to introduce you to the district 14 ATV XC Racing (Quads). Hosted by the various locations that cross paths with the MX world, the ATV group holds a series of championship races throughout Michigan for every level of experience! From the littles to beginners to vets, ATV Racing has something for everyone, even the spectators!

An ATV (all-terrain vehicles) is comprised primarily of 3-4 wheels, it is an off-road machine that is set up to compete within the niche of extreme racing conditions. For this article I'm talking about the quads (4wheelers)!! In most MX competitions there is a quad class, but the ones I see are usually a fairly small group.... They don't typically mix with the 2-wheeled bikes, due to the size and setup, as well as the track conditions they make. To be in their prime they need to race other 4-wheeled machines for more than a 15-minute moto! With this understanding, the AMA has presented the D14 ATV XC State Championship Series, and I have had the privilege of not only shooting for some of their events, I've also gotten the opportunity to chat with my new friend Beth Ann, who is Chairman for the series!



Beth Ann, Chairman for D14 ATV XC Series

Beth described their series as a fast, fun group of friends, who enjoy the sport of off-road racing in a family-oriented atmosphere but maybe prefer the traction, stability, and comfort that you don't necessarily get on 2 wheels.

Spectators are welcomed and encouraged at the races, but if you go expect a full morning of nonstop action!! Instead of 15-minute Motos or 6-8 laps, they run for an hour and a half straight,



and then a final lap per class! The most laps accumulated possible in that time wins! So, the action is continuous!!

Being privileged enough to get to spend time with the different

disciplines I've noticed a sense of community within each niche, the ATV events has become a place for the riders chosen family to gather, visit, and share an adrenaline-fueled passion that is not for the faint



of heart! They do potlucks on race days, have birthdays and celebrations together, and look forward to spending their weekends with their closest family and friends! As Beth said it just becomes a part of your life and before you know it your world revolves around race days! Beth, her boyfriend Brian, and their son Logan all race, and with Beth on the board, racing is quite literally her life! It's a drive and a passion that she can share with her family and friends, and a common ground between the generations that can be used to make memories for years to come!!!

Battle Creek motorcycle club was the host of the first ATV race in the series and let me tell you, from the club members to the riders and families, I have never experienced such a welcoming group of enthusiasts! Everyone including the D14 President (Brian Kinder) and V-President (James Elkins) were there helping, flagging, racing, and just happy to finally be back out in the dirt! Together they kicked off the ATV season, and I was honored to have been asked to be there to meet the members and capture a few memories for them that I hope they cherish for years to come!! This side of the dirt world is truly one to keep an eye on!! Many thanks to Beth Ann for taking some time to chat with me, and for the invite to watch you all do your thing!! You can follow



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the action, and check the schedule for upcoming events at www.ama-d14.org or by checking the ATV group on Facebook at AMA D14 ATV XC State Championship Series

See more of the ATV action at Madcap.shootproof.com

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3RD ANNUAL MACKINAW RALLY - THE WHO'S, WHAT'S AND WHERE'S

Here we are! The Annual Mackinaw Rally is happening in downtown Mackinaw City for the 3rd time!! When I say downtown... I mean the Mackinaw Crossings! You'll find that EVERYTHING revolving around the rally has grown and that Mackinaw City has been listening to all the input that has come its way over the last couple of years. They have put what they've heard to good use to make it even better. From making the location of everything rally related into one spot at the Crossings, to more music and entertainment going later at night around town. The local businesses offering food and drinks are staying open later too! Oh, and of course the beer tents!

Speaking of beer, you'll find that they even thought of naming a beer for this special occasion to honor our veterans. It's called Welcome Home and you'll find it being served all around Mackinaw during the rally, and through the whole month of June. It was the brainstorm of the Dixie Saloon management and their brewers. How fitting is that?! Remember, this whole rally is based on taking care of our own.



Hats off to the Mackinaw Area Visitors Bureau, Mackinaw Hotels, and the surrounding businesses! The money that is raised from the Poker Run and the Bike Show adds up to some great times for our veterans. How? Well, 100% of the proceeds of the money raised from these events goes directly to Operation Injured Soldiers Brave Hearts Estate right here in Pellston, MI. They use the proceeds to keep the estate open to our veterans and their families. Also, to put on free events for them through the year that don't cost them a dime.



Operation Injured Soldiers is a tax exempt, nonprofit organization. Some might think it's a private club because of the name, but to the contrary. The estate is a 501c and 100% self-run by directors and volunteers that put in some long hours and weekends to make sure that our veterans have a place that they can go to and feel right at home, or maybe even better! -lol. It truly is a vacation getaway for them and that's just how the estate volunteers like it. It's a lot of work for them but trust me they love every single minute of it!

Everything, and we mean everything is covered when a veteran stays at Brave Hearts Estate. They are even encouraged to bring a "plus one" if they find themselves registering to come up by themselves. Spouses are even welcome to come along too! -lol. Veterans have full use of the estates 238 acres, 3 miles of trails, cabins, RV area and the whole house if they choose. There are plenty of rooms and beds with each floor having its own living space and bathroom on it. Oh, and laundry if you need it too. A single veteran or a group of veterans will feel they are staying at a five-star bed and breakfast, but the difference is that it's absolutely 100% FREE to them! Our veterans get to relax, have some fun onsite or offsite by exploring the estate, exploring the city or the surrounding area at their leisure. Breakfast and dinner are served each day and lunch is their choice to make in the kitchen. Our veterans get to be appreciated and get treated with all the love they deserve for their service and sacrifice. This is all possible with the help of the Brave Hearts Estate caregivers, volunteers, the local businesses, and the numerous volunteer organizations in the surrounding area. And of course, the thousands of people that have attended the Mackinaw City Rally from the beginning. That's what it's all about. Our veterans!

So, I think that covers some of the Who's and What's... now let's get into the Where's! In the next couple of pages, you'll find the rally schedule of events, times, and where to find them.

Remember, say Thanks to a Veteran!
~RJ

Thursday the 8th and Friday the 9th you can pre-register for the POKER RUN and the Bike Show in the Mackinaw Crossings parking lot. Also, on Saturday the 10th you can register to participate in both events, but for a limited time. Check out the rally schedule on the next page for more information.

3RD ANNUAL MACKINAW RALLY EVENTS, LOCATIONS AND SIGN-UP INFORMATION

BEER & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AREA

There will be great entertainment, good friends, and cold beer all weekend long! Dancing is encouraged! NO COVER CHARGE. The entertainment begins on Thursday at 6pm and goes on until 4pm on Sunday in Mackinaw Crossings and throughout Mackinaw City businesses.

FIREWORKS – Friday & Sunday night at dusk. Fireworks are displayed over Lake Huron.

WELCOME HOME POKER RUN – Take your time & enjoy the ride! The run will take place on Saturday June 10, 2023. 5 Stops and a chance to win \$2000! This ride supports Operation Injured Soldiers Brave Hearts Estate.

BIKE SHOW – Hosted by THUNDER ROADS MICHIGAN! Showcasing an array of different make and model motorcycles. From vintage, custom, to many one-of-a-kind creations. The Bike Show will be staged in Mackinaw Crossings where all the bikes will be on display with guest judges. The Bike Show supports the Operation Injured Soldiers Brave Hearts Estate.

VENDORS – Vendors offering a variety of goods or services will be located across from Mackinaw Crossings. Find all the things we love like leathers, sunglasses, photographs, helmets, boots, clothing, scarves, audio, lighting, parts, belts, wallets, jewelry, flags, patches, knives, hats, decals and MUCH MUCH MORE!

BLESSING OF THE BIKES – Join hundreds of motorcycle enthusiasts for a prayer asking for the Lord's blessing and protection that will bring safety for the upcoming riding season.

FLAG RAISING CEREMONY – Please join us Friday morning to honor the American flag as the symbol of our country and all the hopes, dreams, and people it represents.

RALLY SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JUNE 8TH

Onsite registration for the Welcome Home Poker Run & pre-registered packet pick-up at Mackinaw Crossings – 2pm-8pm

Onsite registration for the Bike Show at Mackinaw Crossings – 2pm-8pm

The Beer & Live Entertainment Area opens at 5pm with music from 6pm-9pm NO COVER CHARGE! Location is the Mackinaw Crossings.

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH

Flag Raising Ceremony at the American Legion with the Blessing immediately following in the big parking lot at Mackinaw Crossings.

Vendors on Mackinaw Crossings Drive, 10am – 7pm

Onsite registration for the Welcome Home Poker Run & pre-registered packet pick-up at Mackinaw Crossings – 12pm-5pm

Onsite registration for the Bike Show at Mackinaw Crossings – 12pm-5pm

The Beer & Live Entertainment Area opens at 11am. NO COVER CHARGE! Location is the Mackinaw Crossings – ENTERTAINMENT LINE UP (Jim Ewell Band 11am – 2pm, Mighty Hiawatha 3pm – 6pm, Scarkasm 8pm – 11pm)

Mechanical Bull –at Mackinaw Crossings small parking lot – 7pm-12pm

One Wheel Revolution Stunt show – 3 separate shows throughout the day in the big parking lot at the Mackinaw Crossings.

Fireworks At Dusk (Displayed over Lake Huron)

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

Onsite registration for the Welcome Home Poker Run & pre-registered packet pick-up at Mackinaw Crossings from 9am – 1pm. Poker Run time is from 11am until 4pm. Five stops in any direction you like. Good luck!

Onsite registration for the Bike Show under the Thunder Roads® Michigan Bike Show Tent in the Mackinaw Crossings parking lot from 9am –2pm. Bike Show from 3pm until 6pm. Winners announced immediately following. Good luck!

Vendors on Mackinaw Crossing Drive, 10am – 7pm

The Beer & Live Entertainment Area opens at 11am. NO COVER CHARGE! Location is the Mackinaw Crossings – ENTERTAINMENT LINE UP (Charlie 11am – 1pm, Jim Ewell Band 2pm – 5pm, Onager 7pm – 11pm)

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Being stuck inside all winter with just enough cold to make it miserable, but not quite enough cold to get out and play has made everyone a little stir crazy. If y'all are anything like my boys, you're checking the tracks, seeing which ones are closest, watching for pop updates and early spring practices so you can get out there and rip it up in the dirt!! With only a handful of practice tracks in Michigan, it's just a matter of which direction you wanna travel to get a little seat time in..... Well!!!! I have some good news! Soon you won't have to travel as far! There have been rumors, and there have been whispers, but it's finally confirmed!!! I am super excited to be the first to tell you that there is officially, going to be a New Track in town!!



LeBaron Powersports, formally of Imlay City has relocated!! They've got a big beautiful new building on a nice large chunk of property at 7105 Enterprise Drive, nestled out in the country between Brown city, and Marlette just off the main drag (M53). The heavy equipment just waiting for the water to soak in enough to get in there!! Labaron's will be breaking



ground ASAP on the first new Motocross track in the area in quite some time!! We are completely stoked to be some of the first ones out there when it opens!! I for one can't wait to see what they make of this new space, and I am super excited to have a new motocross track attached to a powersports shop so close to home! Be sure to follow Madcap Imaging and Thunder Roads® magazine of Michigan on an off-road adventure this season as we follow a different kind of build!



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Yay, finally! Have you been able to enjoy the weather as much as we have?! We hope you have been able to get out on your bikes and enjoy some riding with friends and family by now!

As you may know, the OIS Riders are a group of volunteers made up of veterans and non-veterans who enjoy working to create fundraising events and have fun just going out with one another and having a good time. We've been busy planning out our part in the events for the Mackinaw Rally and many other upcoming bike events. You'll find the OIS Riders participating in the Poker Run on Saturday, June 10th at the 3rd Annual Mackinaw Rally, and set up at the



Mackinaw Crossings over the weekend. We will have an area set up to sell merchandise onsite in Mackinaw City and at Brave Hearts Estate in Pellston. Come up and enjoy all the fun in Mackinaw on June 9th through 11th! It's truly a great time with friends, fellow bikers and of course it's all for a greater cause, our veterans!

If you would like to register for the Poker Run on June 10th you will be able to do so onsite at the Mackinaw Crossings on Thursday and Friday before the run. For more information go to www.mackinawcity.com and check out the events page.

Speaking of our veterans, Arsenal Harley-Davidson in Waterford, MI will be hosting a fundraiser on June 24, 2023. It's the American Patriots Ride and we are one of the monetary recipients of this fundraiser. Please come out for

a fun time and help raise money for some great charities.

Also, the OIS Riders have been busy working on plans to reinvent the Lyon Township Ride. This year, this great event will carry on the tradition as an important fundraiser as it has been in the past for our injured veterans. We are proud to say that this event continues to give 100% of proceeds to fund future events so that our veterans can participate in them free of charge. This year we are changing it up to a FUN RUN!!!! Make sure to SAVE THE DATE! It is going to be August 5, 2023, and this will be a self-guided, RAIN OR SHINE event. It will begin at the same Atchison Memorial Park in New Hudson, MI. However, this year it will end at the famous New Hudson Inn that is known as being the oldest bar in Michigan. It dates back to 1831!

This event is open to motorcycles, classic cars, trucks, jeeps, clubs and whoever wants to come and join in on the fun and donate to a great cause. \$25 for the rider and \$20 for passengers. T-shirts will be available to the first 200 people, and food and entertainment will be provided at the New Hudson Inn with each entry. There will be a \$200 winner, a \$100 winner, and a \$50.00 winner for the Fun Run. There will also be tickets available for raffle prizes during the event.

Online registration will be available at www.operationinjuredsoldiers.org Make sure to join and follow the OIS Rider Facebook page for more details and for future updates.

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DIY SHOP TIPS A SHOT IN THE DARK

By: Nate T.

Some time ago, I learned that being able to see while riding at night was a good thing. In spite of that good sensible learning, I've been running the same 5 3/4" truck headlight that I picked up from a gas station in the middle of BFE, somewhere in Michigan's Upper Peninsula about eight years ago. I had every intention of putting a good, quality sickle headlight in as soon as I got back from that ride, but you know how that goes. Since then, what used to be a fair to medium source of light, for making those long hauls, has devolved into something more resembling a Bic lighter in a mineshaft. I decided that needed some adjusting.

If you've been paying attention to the words that I've been slinging for the past few months here, you'll note that I have a fondness for old iron. You'll also remember that I have a bit of an affinity for the ironic in that I like to throw (more of an underhand toss) a bit of tech into the mix as well. In the case of the Bic lighter mounted under the eyebrow of my old shovel, I thought it might be high time to look into a headlight that would be stupid bright while at the same time using as little current as possible. Like I mentioned before, being able to see what's trying to kill you can be considered a positive thing. Also, those of you who have ever had a kick only scoot know that those pesky Watts can be a valuable commodity.

The old truck headlamp I had was a tungsten halogen sealed beam that hadn't really changed since Led Zeppelin was new on the scene, so I had a lot of room for improvement. The first I investigated was High Intensity Discharge or (HID) lights. They're those bluish ones that blind you coming over the hills on the highway at night. They definitely throw a lot of light out a long way, and are more efficient than halogens, but still use too much power for me. Second, I looked at LED lights. They use almost no power and can definitely be bright, but they have some issues throwing the light out where you want it to be when you want it to be there. With a little persistence, I found the solution to what ailed me.

I found what I was looking for at Speed Kings Cycle Supply (www.speed-kings-cycle.myshopify.com). Their "Sunlight Creator" projector LED headlight puts a whole lot of bright and shiny from energy efficient LEDs into a projector style housing like an HID. It really looked like I had found the best of both worlds. For around one and a half hundred simoleons, their 5.75" torch sports over 4100 lumens while eating only 40 watts of power. It's plug and play, has a high & low beam, is vibration resistant, and IP67 waterproof to boot. I got it in just a few days, and it most definitely delivered as advertised. The quality of fit and finish was obvious when I first laid hands on it pulling it from its fitted box. All the electronics were onboard, housed in a high-quality aluminum housing and the polycarbonate lens was flawless. It was almost a shame to put it in a housing.

Then, it was just a matter of removing the trim ring and unplugging the old truck lamp. I plugged in the Sunlight Creator, got that trim ring back on, and I was back in business. In all of about twenty minutes, I had traded my tired only Bic lighter for a true enough booye! If y'all go in this direction, it really is 'bout that simple, give or take. I would advise takin' a gander in your service manual before you start though...Just sayin'. I for one am looking forward to taking my bike out for a moonlight stroll.

Until next time, keep it between the lines and shiny side up.
Shovel on - Nate T.



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Thank you for inviting us in and being such a gracious hosts. Yeah, we didn't really get into any life altering subjects, but we can do that next time if you'd like. Everything was very chill and I appreciated that! I'm still trying to figure out where the time went, but I have to say going for a ride afterwards was a great way to cap it all off. Thanks goes out to you and your sidekick, pp for giving me the tour of the town and the cruise around the lakes in the area was a nice touch.

I know you couldn't see it, but I was smiling the whole time and from what I could seen in your mirror... So were you!

Thunder Roads® Michigan Magazine wishes you the best of luck moving forward. Like I said to you the day we were there... It takes courage to do what you are doing and to put yourself out there the way that you have.

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RJ



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A blonde goes into a coffee shop and notices there's a "peel and win" sticker on her coffee cup. So she peels it off and starts screaming, "I've won a motorhome! I've won a motorhome!" The waitress says, "That's impossible, the biggest is a free lunch." But the blonde keeps on screaming, "I've won a motorhome! I've won a motorhome!" Finally, the waitress gets the Manager and he approaches the blonde and says, "Miss, I'm sorry, but you must be mistaken. You couldn't have won a motorhome because we didn't even have that as a prize." The blonde says, "No, it's not a mistake. I've won a motorhome! She hands the ticket to the Manager and he reads it out loud....

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A little four year old boy is sitting on the toilet. His mother wonders why he's been in there so long. He's just sitting there reading a book, but every 10 seconds or so he puts the book down, grips onto the toilet seat with his left hand and hits himself on top of his head with his right hand. Mom watches for a spell and is amazed at how he came up with this strange ritual. He keeps doing this. His Mom asks, "Billy, are you alright? You've been in here for a while...." Billy says, "I'm fine, Mommy, I just haven't gone doody yet." Mom says, "ok, you can stay in here a few more minutes, but Billy, why are you hitting yourself on the head?" Billy shrugs his shoulders, looks up at his Mommy and says, "It always works for ketchup."

Woman at one end of the bar is bitchin' about men in general and yells out, "I'll have you know I'm still considered a juicy Snack!" and the old drunk at the other end of the bar yells back, "Nah, usually women your age are "Happy Meals" cause they come with kids and toys."

There's an old Japanese proverb:
If you love someone, set them free.
If they come back, that means nobody else liked them.
Set them free again.

Gonna' make me a poster for the kitchen - - -
Bread Is Like The Sun -
It Rises In The Yeast And Sets In The Waist -

Johnny and his wife go to the Zoo and arrive right in front of the gorilla cage. Johnny says to his wife, "Tease him like you tease me all the time!" so the wife takes off her top and the gorilla goes crazy! Johnny yells above all the noise, "Tease him some more like you do me!" so the wife takes off her bra and starts dancing around. Johnny yells super loud, "Go on, do like you do me!" so the wife jumps out of her shorts and only has on 'floss' underwear and continues dancing all around all the while the gorilla is literally going bat-chit crazy! Johnny quickly slides the lock on the cage, pushes his wife inside and screams, "Now, tell him you have a headache like you do me!"

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Bubba is sitting next to a woman who is trying repeatedly to breast feed her baby on the bus. The baby refuses to breast feed and the mother warns, "If you don't breast feed, I'm going to give it to this man next to me!" The baby still refuses. After about 20 minutes, the woman repeats the "threat". Bubba clears his throat and says, "Look here lady, you best make up your mind. I was supposed to get off this bus six stops ago."

Saw a coffee mug that had the newly crowned King Charles on it and Camilla was standing next to him wearing her crown and it read:
To All The Side Chicks....She's Brought New Hope!

Was driving down the road and saw my ex. It was dusk and the light was fading fast. Funny how "I'd Hit That!" takes on a whole new meaning as you get older and wiser.



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June 9

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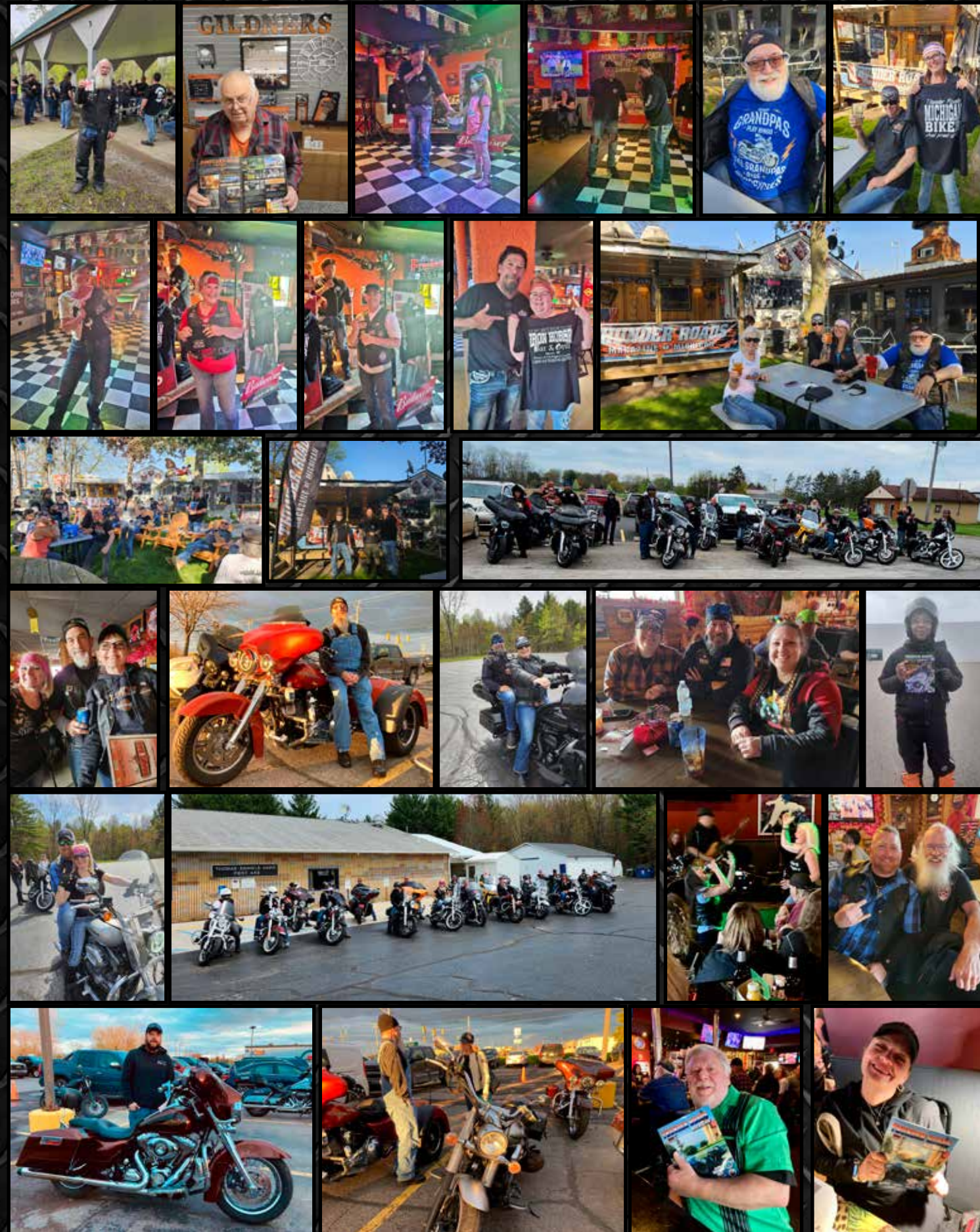
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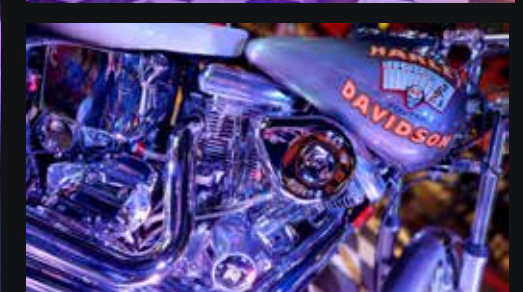


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