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The Ohio Freedom Fighter

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Hello Everyone,

I think this has been the craziest February I have seen in a long time. One minute it is warm and the next it's snowing like never before. This sure makes my drive really fun.

Well, thanks to Jim Farr and Outlaw Extreme, we have a place for the 20th Annual Freedom Rally and swap meet. This year it will be held on June 27th and 28th in Waynesburg. (Same place as last year)

I hope to see everyone at the Spring Fling on March 8th at the Canton Amvets on Cleveland Ave. SW.

I have one more thank you for the Whistle Stop for letting us have our February meeting there.

Here are a couple of things to think about for our next meeting:

- 1- Do we want to do the Memorial Day parade again?
- 2- Do we want to do the Canton Bike Days again?

We will discuss these items at our next meeting on March 30th at Morrie's Place (Perry Township) on Lincoln Way. (Between Genoa Rd & Austin Ave)

See you at the Spring Fling,
Eldon

Welcome New Members

Shane & Lora Abbott

Happy Birthday to...

Vicki Daugherty Sherry Haywood
Kat Moreland Bonnie Radsick Sheila Repik
Belinda Watson Alen Blind Shawn Fisk
Ken Haywood Charles Leishman
Charles Lowe Abe Oyer Joe Reese
John Reighard Jerry Schafer Ken Sterling

And anyone else we may have missed.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
2008

Mar. 8th Spring Fling
Mar. 16th Board Mtg.
Mar. 30th Regional Mtg.

Apr. 20th Board Mtg.
Apr. 27th Regional Mtg.

May 4th 6 County Run
May 18th Board Mtg.
No Regional Mtg.

Jun. 22nd Board Mtg. & Regional Mtg.
Jun. 27 & 28th Freedom Rally

Jul. 20th Board Mtg.
Jul. 27th Regional Mtg.

Aug. 31st Board & Regional Mtg.

Sept. 7th Legislative Run
Sept. 28th Board & Regional Mtg.

Oct. 18th Halloween Party
Oct. 19th Board & Regional Mtg. (Nominations)

Nov. 23rd Board Mtg. & Regional Mtg. (Elections)

Dec. 6th Christmas Party
Dec. 14th Board Mtg.
No Regional Meeting

Thank you!
To The Whistle Stop for letting us have our
February Regional Meeting at your place.
The ham sandwiches were tasty and the
banners you had made were excellent!

CMRO Member, Business Section

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If you are an active member and you would want your
business name & number listed, please contact Denise.

Wisdom by Bryce

Hello,

Dallas-officer escorting a motorcade dies. A police motorcycle officer died after a crash while escorting Hillary Rodham Clinton's motorcade to a campaign rally. "We are just heartsick at this life in the line of duty," a subdued Clinton told reporters after the Dallas rally. The N.Y. Senator cancelled her next appearance in Fort Worth, Texas. She stated that it would be inappropriate to campaign in the wake of the officer's death. Instead she went to Methodist Medical Center where she planned to visit with the officer's family. This is the last time I will ever mention Hillary.

If it would have been an American Legion Rider, Amvet Rider, Vietnam Vets Motorcycle Club rider, or random MRF-CMRO or Independent rider escorting that particular motorcade, would she have been as eager to visit the dead motorcyclist's family? Enough about Hillary, I'm done. Thanks for listening

Bryce Corbin

Meeting Minutes 2/24/2008 @ the A&R Whistle Stop

County Reports: Tuscarawas: Worked the IX swap meet and at the Canton Swap meet.- Jefferson: See flyers – Carroll: Nothing – Harrison: Nothing – Stark: there is a swap meet in Wooster in May. – Columbiana: Not present

Products: Passed around a picture for approval for Freedom Rally t-shirts

Sgt. of Arms: Sign up sheet for Freedom Rally

PR: Signed 1 band and the light & sound guy for the Freedom Rally. Freedom Rally sponsorship forms are available.

Co-Director: nothing

Membership: 204 active members in Region 8 and 21 active members in Region 11.

Legislative: See report

Newsletter: Deadline March 1st so we can get it out before the Spring Fling.

Old Business: Spring Fling, Dani volunteered to work the door most of the night. – 6 County Run, Pudge will coordinate.

New Business: Freedom Rally: For any vendors that hood up to Outlaw Extreme's electric, Outlaw Extreme will be paid the \$25.hook up fee. Need to cut back on the amount of vehicles in the camping area. Suggested to rope the area off, so no vehicles other than the bands will be able to go to camping area and posting "No Vehicles past this Point" Eldon to check on the cost of advertising the Freedom Rally on the radio. Look into possible an advertisement in The Informer and The Repository. Vicki D. made the arrangements for a dumpster for the Freedom Rally, drop off Thursday and pick up Sunday afternoon. Dani J. volunteered to be in charge of the beer tent at the Freedom Rally. Thank you to the Whistle Stop for letting us hold our meeting there.

Becky G. present

Moment of silence

Adjourned.

Legislation

Transportation Chief calls for helmet use:

U.S. Transportation Secretary Mary E. Peters sent legislation to Congress on February 14th, 2008 seeking it divert funding from rider training and motorcycle awareness funds to promote helmet use.

According to the Department of Transportation, the legislation submitted to Congress would allow states to use federal motorcycle safety funding to promote the use of motorcycle helmets. Currently, states are limited to using the funds for motorcycle safety training and awareness programs only.

In spite of a Congressional ban on the federal agency lobbying state legislatures in favor of passing helmet laws, Secretary Peters wrote letters to House and Senate leaders "seeking greater flexibility for states to target one of the leading causes of motorcycle deaths across the nation - riding without a helmet."

"Secretary of Transportation Mary Peters is requesting an amendment to allow the SAFETEA-LU Section 2010 Grant funds to be used to promote helmet use in a letter sent to President of Senate Dick Cheney and speaker of the house Nancy Pelosi, explained Sputnik, Chairman of the National Coalition of Motorcyclists Legislative Task Force (NCOM-LTF). "This is nothing more than a raid on a fund that was intended for motorcycle awareness and education. Motorcyclists across the nation fought hard for many years to get this grant money and the outlines for its usage were hammered out and agreed upon."

Consider writing letters to your Senators and Representatives asking them to do the following:

1. Write Secretary Peters and request she withdraw her proposed amendment.
2. Speak with your legislators against this letter in attempt to gather votes against this amendment if she does not withdraw it and it becomes a written bill.

2/22/2008 Bikers' Rights (www.bikernet.com/rights/)

Mark Your Calendars!

The AMA International Women & Motorcycling Conference
August 19-22, 2009, Keystone, Colorado

The premier event in women's motorcycling heads west to the Rockies in 2009

The best women's motorcycling event is heading west in 2009 to one of the best riding areas in the United States. AMA announced that its 5th International Women & Motorcycling Conference will take place at the Keystone Resort & Conference Center in Keystone, Colorado, on August 19-22, 2009. (Located approximately 90 minutes west of Denver.) Information will be available soon. Keep checking the AMA website for more information.

Colors Sought for Motorcycle Museum

The Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame is seeking vests with patches to expand an existing exhibit about motorcycle clubs.

"I'm looking to reach out to Motorcycle Clubs who might be willing to have their colors on display," Christine Paige Diers, Executive Director of the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame in South Dakota.

The idea of this exhibit is to educate the public about history of motorcycling and present a fair-minded representation of motorcycle clubs in their many forms, she said. "I'd like to rebuild the exhibit with themed sections to display, including women's clubs, family oriented clubs, law enforcement clubs and veterans clubs."

Anyone interested in loaning a jacket, vest, or even a photo, to the museum for a time period of one to two years, along with a brief club description or history, should contact her at christine@sturgismuseum.com or phone 605-347-2001.

Information from (www.bikernet.com/rights/) 2/22/2008

Hello Region 8,

If there is anyone who joined in 2007 and you haven't received your patches, please let me know. Also, if there is anyone who has enough points on their point's card to receive a patch, again please let me know. I only keep track of the meetings that members attend.

I'd like to welcome our new members, although Shane is a past member, it's been a long time. Thank you to all the members who sent me their renewals.

Denise
Membership Sec. & Treasure

PS The board meeting has been changed to an hour before the Regional meeting.

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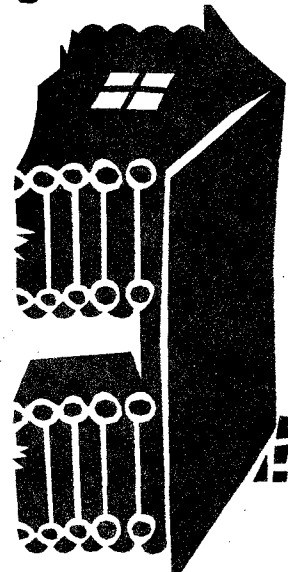
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