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DEADLINE* * *

LONE STAR WARRIOR MATERIAL DEADLINE

All submissions intended for Warrior publication must be received by the **11th** of each month.

This date is ironclad as the Warrior goes to Tony on the 15th. Send Warrior material to the State Office. The monthly Warrior would be much enhanced if each chapter and each Advisor would submit reports so all members would know what was happening all across the state. Please give this a try.

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CHAPTER MEETING INFORMATION listed by *city*

Big Country chapter meets the 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00p.m. at Harlow's Bar-B-Que

Contact: Ron (915) 692-9389

1st Brazoria County chapter meets the 1st Saturday@ 11:00 a.m. at Sissy's, 2610 N. Velasco St., Angleton 77515, (979)

849-4932

Contact: Frank (979) 964-3480 or Roddy Mohler (979) 233-1439

Austin Minutemen chapter meets the 1st Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m. at Cindy's Gone Hog Wild, Hwy 71 in Garfield.

Contact Bart 512-925-3524

Heart of Texas chapter meets the 2nd Sunday @ 1:00 p.m. at Jim's Cycle Shop, Highway 31, Axtell 76624, (254) 863-5460

Contact: Jim (254) 863-5460

Big Spring chapter meets the first Monday @ 7:00 p.m. at New York's Finest Hot Dogs on 2nd Street in Big Spring.

Contact: Pat (432) 270-2321

D/FW chapter meets the 2nd Wednesday @ 7:30 p.m. at VFW Post 4477, 300 S. Smith St., Dallas 75211, (214) 339-5800

Contact: Elmer (214) 529-2264

El Paso chapter meets the 3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. at Mulligan's North Bar & Grill, 10710 Gateway Blvd. N., El Paso 79924, (915) 822-9366

Contact: Jerry Kelly (915) 433-8955

Lake Granbury Liberty Riders chapter meets the 4th Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. at VFW Post 7835, 3670 W. Hwy. 377, Granbury, 76048, (817) 573-9350

Contact Smiley

Texas Owners Group chapter meets the 1st Sunday at L.P.Cycles on Hwy 164 10 miles East of Groesbeck.

Contact Tom (254)729-2602

Lubbock chapter meets the 3rd Thursday @ 7:00 p.m. at Aces and Eights Clubhouse, Levelland

Contact: Tiny (806) 778-5243

Permian Basin chapter meets the 3rd Thursday @ 7:30 p.m. at Warfield Restaurant, FM 1788 and I-20, Midland 79706, (432) 563-4900

San Angelo chapter meets @ 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday at Pepe's Diner, 3618 W. FM2105, San Angelo 76901, (325) 655-5511

Contact:

Navarro County Freedom Fighters chapter meets the first Monday of each month at "That Church" in Corsicana at 7:00pm

Contact James at 902-641-9438

Trinity River WArriors Chapter meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm, at the SJHR M/C Liberty Chapter Clubhouse in Dayton, Texas

Contact Sherri at 936-258-3679, cell: 254-224-1219.....

Treasurers Report

**TEXAS MOTORCYCLE RIGHTS ASSOCIATION
2nd Quarter 2007**

Income:

Membership: \$12,095.00
Donations: \$3,245.00
Total Income: \$15,340.00
Cash On Hand -0-
Beginning Balance: \$1,882.52
Total: \$17,222.52

Expenses:

Rent: \$1,950.00
Newsletter Printing: \$2,272.15
Electricity: \$259.83
Phones: \$1083.59

Internet Service: \$152.14
Travel Expenses: \$977.35
Web Hosting: \$75.00
BankCard Fees: \$134.44
Charge Card Finance Fees: \$120.65
Chairman's Salary: \$2296.74 (net) June & July '06

\$2,500.00 Gross
-\$12.00 W/holding
-\$155.00 SS
-\$36.26 Medicare

Secretary's Salary: \$3,789.72 (net)

\$4,500.00 Gross
-\$366.00 W/holding
-\$279.00 SS
-\$65.28 Medicare

Returned Checks & Fees: \$58.00

Office Equipment: \$111.28

Post Office: \$167.18

Pins/Patches: \$475.00

Propane: \$210.00

Tax Prep: \$355.00 (Year 2006)

Tax Prep: \$30.00 (1st Qtr. 2007)

Texas Workforce Comm: \$174.19 (penalties and interest)

Texas Workforce Comm: \$75.29 (2nd Qtr. 2006)

Texas Workforce Comm: \$119.88 (1st Qtr. 2007)

Internal Revenue Service: \$1,646.25 (3rd Qtr 2006)

Total Expenses: \$16,533.68

Ending Balance: \$688.84

THANKS:

Permian Basin Chapter \$100

SPECIAL THANKS:

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

We held the Advisor Meeting and the General Membership meeting on August 1th at the state office. There were 44 members present.

During the Advisor meeting we approved Dana Young for District 15, Tom for District 06, Dee McClure for District 25 and Jerry Rose for District 18. The Advisors approved Sputnik to fill out the

remainder of this term as state chair. I will now be using the address tmra2chair@pop.powweb.com Reports were given and it came to light just how much damage recent events have caused in the ranks.

One District Advisor pointed out that their chapter had bought into the story that TMRA 2 funds had been spent on the personal needs of the Secretary and Chair. It was announced that the chapter would no longer send any funds to the state office until all taxes were paid and we were operating on a cash only basis. More on this during the General meeting.

We moved on to the General Membership meeting and the first order of business was to review and amend the Bylaws. **Revised Bylaws will follow this report.** Again it was brought up by the same District Advisor that the Bylaws should require that the association operate on cash only. If there is no money for travel then you don't travel, no money for salaries then no salaries are paid. It would be strictly cash and if there was no cash then we shut it down until there is some cash.

This came about because I had paid the deposit for the concert with Gwen's credit card. They had over \$2000 in their account and it was voted on by that chapter whether to send some money to help offset the charge. They voted no. Until all taxes were paid, which they almost are, and we were on a cash basis no money would be turned over to the state. They had been told by that we had squandered funds and had used the money for private gain and would be shut down by IRS for being behind in our taxes and they accepted that as fact.

I had hoped this was over but apparently not. I want to clear this shit up right now, publicly. The association has never paid its own way. I told my wife to start with this would cost a lot of money. I also stated to her that there must be plenty of people who could do a better job but just couldn't afford to do it. She gave me the go ahead stating there were some things more important than a bank account.

When I met with Terri to get her to take the job as secretary she knew that I never drew a steady salary and was concerned about that. She said

she wished she could do it for free to help out but had bills to pay and could not do it without a salary. I told her I would personally guarantee her salary. If the association couldn't send her check when it was due I would pay her.

Terri works her ass off for the association and is worth more than she receives. She has worked for major corporations with all the benefits and was Bill Ley's legal assistant for several years. She is over qualified for this job but she does it and accepts the salary because she believes we are doing something important.

I went to the house and explained to Gwen what I had done and about the chapter voting not to help. We are still running off of her credit cards right now. Later my son and I were talking about the Bike trip we have been planning for over ten years. Gwen said BULL SHIT. Chance asked her didn't she want to go on a motorcycle trip and her response was: "I DON'T LIKE MOTORCYCLES AND I DON'T LIKE TMRA2 ANY MORE! It appears this chapter's action has cost us the support of my wife.

I have owned several companies and none of them worked on a cash basis. I don't know of any company that does. And finally I am personally responsible for any taxes the association owes. The IRS notices come to Sputnik c/o Texas Motorcycle Rights Association. No individual or group of people have to worry about ever having to owe a penny for anything this association does.

Hopefully this will now end the bad mouthing now or at least you can address it to me personally.

The membership voted to approve the proposed dues increase of \$30 individual, \$50 per couple and \$400 for life membership, effective September 1st.

BY-LAWS

These By-laws shall govern members and chapters of the Association. They will remain subject to change by a simple majority vote, of those members present at a general membership meeting, as such changes are deemed necessary.

Article 1

Meetings, the order of business shall be:

- (A) Invocation
- (B) Pledge of Allegiance
- (C) Reading of minutes
- (D) Financial Report
- (E) Old business
- (F) New business
- (G) Open floor discussion
- (H) Adjournment

1. General meeting shall be held during the month of May. Advisory Board meetings shall be held during the months of February, May, August and November. When the Board meetings coincide with the general meeting, the Board meeting shall be conducted at 11:00am and the general meeting shall be held at 1:00pm. Date, time and location of state meetings will be published in the state newsletter. Special meetings may be called by the state chairman, or any four advisors. Written notice must be received by all parties involved at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Upon payment of proper dues, a new member shall receive a membership card and a member Patch. A renewal shall receive a new membership card and a rocker, denoting the number of years as a member. Dues will be proposed (set) by the Advisory Board, published in the newsletter, and shall be voted on at the next general membership meeting. Any member, delinquent in their dues shall lose all privileges of membership until dues are paid.

Lapsed memberships may be renewed and keep the same number providing all back dues are paid and they have not been lapsed more than two years. Honorary membership may be bestowed by the state chairman, with approval of the Advisors Board. Any member may address the Advisory Board meeting, provided they are recognized by the proper authority. District and chapter meetings will be scheduled by those

responsible for the meetings, but none may be scheduled to coincide with state meetings.

ARTICLE III

ELECTIONS

Elections shall take place during May of odd numbered years. Nomination petitions shall be accepted at the state office. Petitions shall include a brief biography (75 words or less) and be signed by (3) three members in good standing. Petitions shall be placed in the state newsletter, along with a ballot. The Ballot shall also be posted on the web sites to be downloaded by members wishing to cast their vote. Mail in Ballots must be in the office no later than five days prior to the General Meeting. Ballots may be turned in at the State Meeting providing the person casting the Ballot is a verifiable member in good standing for at least 30 days.

To be eligible to run for State Chair a person must have been a member in good standing for the two years immediately preceding the nominations. To vote in an election a person must be a member in good standing at least 30 days prior to the vote.

A committee, appointed by the Advisory Board, just prior to the May meeting will count the votes. Winners shall be determined by a simple majority vote. New officers will be seated at the beginning of new business, during the general membership meeting. Term of office will be two years. All members shall elect the state chairman and members shall elect Advisors from their district only.

Article IV

LOCAL CHAPTERS

Chapters may be formed anywhere in the state, but must coordinate with their district advisor, or with the state chairman if no district advisor exists for that district, so as not to interfere with an existing chapter.

Chapter officers should be - Coordinator, Assistant Coordinator, Secretary/Treasurer, and Legislative Officer but are not limited to those positions. Only members in good standing may

be members of a chapter. No member may be a voting member of more than one chapter. Chapter membership lists, denoting officers, shall be filed with the state office and updated routinely.

Duties of Chapter officers

The duties of the coordinator shall be :
To preside at all chapter meetings to have general supervision over the daily affairs of the chapter, and to represent the chapter at all public functions. To appoint any persons or committees, not appointed by the chapter.

The duties of the assistant coordinator shall be:
To perform the duties of the coordinator in his/her absence. To chair committees appointed by the coordinator. To assist other officers in the performance of their duties.

The duties of the Secretary/Treasurer shall be :
To keep a record of all chapter meetings To send out notices of all Special meetings. To handle all correspondence, relative to that office. To be in charge of all chapter funds and to make payments from those funds, when so ordered by the chapter. To keep a record of all financial transactions and produce a financial statement quarterly or when called upon to do so. If these offices are split, the secretary shall perform 1-3 and the treasurer shall perform 4-5.

The duties of the legislative officer shall be:
To be the primary contact between the district advisor and the chapter on legislative matters. To report on legislative matters at chapter meetings and to establish phone trees within the chapter. Meetings should be patterned after state guidelines

Article V

FINANCES

Annual dues and any donations, sent to the state office, will fall under the direct control of the state secretary/treasurer and shall be used for state business only. The May meeting shall be used to further Motorcycle Awareness and as our primary

fundraiser. Chapters may raise funds locally to be used for chapter business dealing with legislative matters. The state shall have no claim on chapter funds. No money may be given to a political candidate in the name of the association. Members are encouraged to take part in political campaigns, both financially and personally. No money raised in the name of this association, may be used to purchase alcoholic beverages. No chapter of this association shall sponsor a fundraiser for any reason, except to help a downed member or to further our legislative and educational agenda. State chairman and secretary shall be paid positions.

MISCELLANEOUS

Any member or chapter, acting in such a manner as to be detrimental to the association, may be called before the board. Such charges must be in writing, presented to the appropriate advisor, or to the state chairman if no advisor exists for that district. All parties involved shall be notified to appear before a special called board meeting at the earliest possible date. Board ruling could result in exoneration, reprimand, suspension or expulsion of charged party(s). Any member may express his/her political opinion as long as it is made known they are personal opinions. Any statement of association policy must be cleared with the state chairman. These By-laws may be amended by a simple majority vote of members present at a general membership meeting.

Amended and Approved 8/18/07

Sputnik
State Chair
Texas Motorcycle Rights Association
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CHAPTER REPORTS

Hot Chapter

8-12-07

THE MEETING BEGAN AT 1:00. WE OPENED THE MEETING WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG AND A PRAYER TO OUR LORD. OLD BUSINESS: THE

QUESTION WAS BROUGHT TO THE FLOOR ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE RAFFLE FOR \$500 AT ACADEMY SPORTING GOODS. WHO WON?

NEW BUSINESS: THE MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 18TH OF AUGUST, IN ELGIN, AT THE STATE OFFICE. ADVISORS MEETING WILL BE AT 11:00 AND GENERAL MEETING AT 1:00. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL MEMBERS ARE PRESENT TO HEAR WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR THIS ASSOCIATION.

THERE ARE CAMPAIGNS TO PREPARE FOR(RUN FOR AN OFFICE), THE RIGHT TO REPAIR ACT(HR2694) NEEDS TO BE WATCHED FOR RESULTS IN D.C.,AND FINALLY THE JIMMIE VAUGHAN/STUBBS BAR-B-QUE CONCERT IN AUSTIN ON THE 22ND OF SEPTEMBER. TO GET YOUR TICKET CALL 512-389-0315 OR GO TO WWW.STUBBSAUSTIN.COM . DOORS OPEN AT 3:00. COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR TMRA2.

MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE, SECOND AND PASSED.

PERSONAL NOTE: ONLY 3 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE. COME ON GUYS AND GALS. THIS IS A YEAR AROUND ASSOCIATION. WE NEED TO GET READY FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS. THERE IS MUCH WORK TO BE DONE. WE ALL NEED TO PULL TOGETHER CONSISTANTLY TO CONTINUE TO BE A SUCCESS IN OUR MISSION AS AN ASSOCIATION.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PLEASE CONTACT ME AT kfats61@hotmail.com .

SUBMITTED,
SECRETARY,
RESPECTFULLY
HOT CHAPTER
KAT

Trinity River Chapter

Our meeting was held on Tuesday, July 31, 2007 at the San Jacinto Highrollers – Liberty County Clubhouse. The SJHRLC President, Bo Jack, called the meeting to order by welcoming

everyone to the clubhouse and that everyone was always welcome there. We had five different motorcycle clubs in attendance along with independent riders as well. We gained another life membership and 2 more yearly memberships at this meeting. I was honored to meet and talk with all of the different club members and would like to express my appreciation to all that attended for their support in standing behind TMRA II and what we stand for. The clubs that had representation at this meeting were Boozefighters M/C, San Jacinto Highrollers – Liberty County & Hardin County, Gypsy's, Circuit Riders Motorcycle Ministry, and Bandidos M/C.

At the first meeting held for this chapter in June, it was decided to hold our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month. We have since found out that some of the clubs hold their meetings on that night. So we re-voted and the Trinity River Warriors Chapter meeting has been changed to the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm.

We discussed old business of deciding on a chapter name, in which had been floored at the first meeting held in June, in order for everyone to have time to think about what they would like the name to be. Everyone present decided that the name should be "TRINITY RIVER WARRIORS". It was put to vote and passed unanimously.

I updated everyone on the call to action status of the Riders Safety Grant, and that just by the phone calls, once again we were able to stop them from cancelling this grant. We discussed the Trans Texas Corridor, Failure to Yield, Right to Repair, and the Share The Road.

We also discussed the situation of being pulled over for bogus reasons, in which it has since come to my attention, that we have a Highway Patrol working the stretch between Dayton and Liberty on Hwy. 90 pulling over bikers for not wearing helmets, checking their credentials, and warning that should he see them again, they will be stopped and ticketed. This same officer stopped one of our members 3 times in one week, and in the last stop detained him for over an hour. I have contacted Sputnik on this matter and it is being investigated.

We discussed the possibility of having to find a new location for our meetings to be held due to the large amount of attendance. For the time being, everyone decided that they still want to hold the meetings at the clubhouse.

There was discussion on the state general membership meeting to be held in Elgin on August 18th, and I urged everyone present to plan to make this meeting and of the importance of our members being present.

We now have \$57.00 in our treasury and a discussion to be held at the next meeting on August 28th to start planning a fundraiser hosted by this chapter.

D/FW Chapter

August 8th

Time is growing ever closer and we need to plan to be there for the General membership meeting on August 18th. We need to be there to vote on the changes and make our voices heard either for or against. Lets all plan on being there at the state office for the event.

Federal issues

Right to Repair Bill Introduced in US House

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) reports that the U.S. House of Representatives has re-introduced legislation that would return the right to repair to the vehicle owner instead of the original manufacturer.

Thanks go to Rep Ed Towns, D-NY who introduced the Motor Vehicle Owners' Right to Repair Act (HR 2694) into the 110th Congress. Joining Rep Towns as original co-sponsors were Reps G.K. Butterfield, D-NC; Anna Eshoo, D-CA; Steven LaTourette, R-OH; George Miller, D-CA and James Moran, D-VA.

The need for right to repair legislation has become apparent due to the increasing use of computers and electronics that control nearly every motor vehicle function from fuel delivery, braking, lighting, and emissions to entertainment. Although computers provide many benefits to motorists through improved fuel efficiency, comfort and safety, they also provide increasing opportunities for motor vehicle manufacturing companies to lock out access by car owners and the independent repair shops where owners

choose to obtain service for their vehicles. HR 2694 would require that car companies provide full access to all tools and service information needed to repair motor vehicles, thus leveling the competitive playing field between dealers and independent repair shops.

HR 2694 now has eleven co-sponsors and has been referred to the House Energy and Commerce committee. No Senate legislation has been introduced as of press time. The MRF encourages you to contact your Federal Representative and ask them to co sponsor HR 2694. As always, the MRF will keep you posted on any developments.

Jimmy Vaughan Concert

The Jimmy Vaughn Concert is a GO.

It will be September 22nd at STUBBS Bar-B-Q in Austin, on the corner of Red River and 8th Street. This is a major fund raiser for TMRA2 and everyone needs to buy tickets for the concert. It's going to be a great time, so let's all of us get those tickets.

There are only 2000 tickets available so if you wish to secure one you probably need to call them and order your tickets soon. The number is 512-389-0315.

Fort Worth Chapter

Richard was at our Chapter meeting to try and promote the meeting he has setup in Fort Worth. Richard is hoping to get interest in Starting a TMRA2 chapter there and Sputnik is going to show up at the exploratory meeting as a guest speaker. Lets hope the best for them and get the chapter going.

Meeting August 15, 2007

7:30PM

6005 Tension St.

Fort Worth

Guest: Sputnik

Political issues AFFECT your FREEDOM AND LIBERTY. Know what these issues are that affect YOU! We will explore the possibility of having TMRA2 meetings in Tarrant County.

Elmer H. McKeegan

Chapter Coordinator

Permian Basin Chapter

8/16/07

Dean called the meeting to order 7:35 at the Warfield Truck Stop the meeting ended at 8:30. Once again – 7 members present and no visitors. Dean opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer.

We started off reviewing last months news letter. Steve Forsdick our local chairman has stepped down. He will be spending most of his time working down in Houston. We will be looking to replace him.

We made no money selling food at the Blackgold Rally. The \$500 gift card “Academy Sporting Goods” was given away at the Blackgold Rally. The winner was Heath Sandborn from Spring Town Texas.

Legacy Harley Davison has agreed to let us have our fund raiser there on November 10th. It looks like we will be serving hamburgers. Lots of our PB members need to pay dues.

We discussed why it is so important that we have a big turnout at the General Membership Meeting August 18th at the State Office in Elgin, TX.

TMRA 2 state office will be hosting a concert in Austin – September 22nd at Stubbs BBQ – Jimmie Vaughn – brother of the late Stevie Ray Vaughn will be the headliner. The band Hoike from Dallas will be playing lead in.

We voted to send \$100 to the State TMRA 2 office.

The next meeting will be held at the Warfield Truck Stop on September 20, 2007 at 7:30pm.

Mark “Missippy” Nelson

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Concerns raised over Sturgis Plea Bargains

From Biker Republic List

Some residents in Sturgis are questioning how a "donation" to the Meade County General fund is being used to get people out of jail faster once they're arrested during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. One attorney says it seems like a bribe to some. Black Hills FOX reporter Jennifer Dowling has more on their concerns about this "get out of jail donation." Brian Peck owns Discount Loan and Western Union in Sturgis. Last week during the rally he had three to four people a day come

in to get money in order to pay a "donation" to Meade County to get out of jail. Pecks says, they got incarcerated and would come down to my office to either pay their donation or receive funds to travel back to their home states. This is the form his customers received. It pledges to make a voluntary donation...not a pay a fine....to the Meade County General Fund in various amounts...600 and 700 dollars here. It also says it must be paid that day or the deal is off! Peck says, They'd show me their donation sheet and it varied from anywhere from 300 to as much as \$2,000 come through my office. Defense Attorney Lorie Melone says her clients called her for help with the donation cases. She says one client charged with DUI got that charge reduced to reckless driving with the benefit of the donation. She's unsure if that's constitutional. They just want equal justice for all and have everyone treated equally not depending on their income or where they live. Standup: The biggest concern that people seem to have is that there is no set amount....and it has to be paid "today." And they don't know where the money goes. Melone says, Their main complaint is that it has to be paid the day of the request and they have no idea where it's going to. Meade County State's Attorney Jesse Sondreal was unavailable for an on camera interview... But we were able to reach him by phone. He said quote, "I'm not going to apologize for what we've been doing.....It's nothing we're ashamed of." He says they have to move people through the jail quickly or they'd have no room for offenders. He says donation amounts vary because each case is different and if people are at a different income level, that's taken into account. Sondreal also says this system is helpful for the county because law officers from other states would have to be brought in from around the country to testify at any trial. He questions who would pay for that. But, don't expect to be able to make a donation plea after Rally Week. Sondreal says it's only during that time of year, and the money goes back into the general fund to offset costs because Meade County doesn't make any tax money off the rally like the City of Sturgis does. Peck talked to Sondreal about it...he says it's still confusing. Peck says, "I called and talked to the state's attorney and there just seems to be no uniformity about it." Jennifer Dowling, Black Hills Fox News,

Sturgis. Chicago resident Michael Stanislawski says he was here during the rally and opted for the "donation" agreement. He says after he agreed to make a donation to the Meade County General Fund his sentence was reduced. He says he's starting a defense fund to help others who can't afford the donation in order to get out of jail quicker or get a reduced charge

The first and only ticket that police have issued to a motorcyclist under Denver's controversial new noise ordinance was dismissed Wednesday. The city's decision to drop the case highlights a fundamental flaw - Denver police aren't equipped with the \$1,000 noise monitors needed to make the charge stick, said Wade Eldridge, lawyer for the ticketed biker. "In any case in which it's properly challenged, the city has an impossible burden," said Eldridge.

The reason Assistant City Attorney April Snook cited in her motion to dismiss the case was the city was "unable to prove charge beyond a reasonable doubt."

From Biker Republic list

Bad news for Texas Riders, State Rep. Anna Mowrey has decided to retire from the Legislature. Representative Mowrey has voted for every Bill we have gotten to a committee she served on or to the Floor for a vote. She has repeatedly stated that your chair was the most efficient lobbyist in the capitol. When I start to explain I am not a lobbyist she stops me by saying "I know, I know but you can show those lobbyist a thing or two."

Those of you in her district have a tough job to put someone as supportive as her in that position. Get started now.

Our trip to Ft. Worth was successful. We attended a meeting at the Wino Crew M/C's Clubhouse to speak to riders interested in starting a new chapter of TMRA 2. There was definitely enough interest so it was decided to get the new chapter underway next month. The Wino Crew M/C has a fantastic Clubhouse located at 6005 Tension St. The first meeting will be held there on the third Wednesday beginning next month. Any interested parties are invited to attend.

Thanks to the Crew for stepping forward.

You may remember Rick Perry Vetoed the Bill spending \$154 million for community colleges this year. Realizing the whiplash effect it was having on him he has now offered to replace the money. However his proposals show the same disdain his administration has shown for rules. It will involve shifting money from several sources and cutting funds from others, as well as holding off payments due until the next budget date rolls around. This will bear a lot of watching.

During the hearing Senator Armbrister learned just how hard his job would be for the next 1 1/2 years. When he made the statement that the governor's door is always open the crowd openly showed their disagreement with his statement by laughing loudly. This brought forth an angry response from the red faced senator.

Ex-Speaker Dennis Hastert in the US Congress has announced he will not be seeking reelection to another term. This will create a frantic rush for both Dems and Repubs to get ready for the race. In the meantime our Presidential Campaigns are looking like our last governor's race here in Texas.

Mr. Snow is also stepping down as the spokesperson for the Whitehouse. Karl Rove has said he will be moving on at the end of this month. Looks like a lot of people are trying to get out of answering questions.

District Advisor Reports

#1 Karl Ford

#3 Kanga

August 11, 2007

Here we are in the dog days of summer. Whassup? Plenty!

I am looking forward to the election of a new President of our country, sometimes with great trepidation. I wonder how many people that bitch actually get out there and do anything worthwhile with the privilege of voting that others around the world die trying to accomplish. It looks to me like the national picture is just as screwed up as Texas' Gubernatorial when we were so unfortunate to get Rick Perry for another term. (My personal opinion!) There are just too many

fingers in the pie for clarity and a fair election. On the same note, we have the computer ballot debacle to contend with and it is the largest threat to an honest election in the history of elections.

Those who are diligent need to keep an eye on the Toll Road Adventure. It definitely is not a done deal and will be curving around to bite us on the ass when least expected. That whole deal smacks of back door deals and has international ties to further enhance the double dealing we are getting from our government regarding this issue. Now, ain't it interesting to find out about our "dilapidated" national infrastructure regarding our bridges, roads, electrical grids, etc. after the collapse of the bridge across the Mississippi in Minnesota!

It will be a rousing round of politics this fall, so if you are not a member, sign on and enjoy the ride.

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#04 Sherri Odom
Report in Chapter Reports

#5 Tom Maddux
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!!!

The Heart of Texas HOWL-O-WEEN Biker Rally is coming up soon (October) at Lost Prairie Cycles Ranch in Groesbeck, we need everyone to pull together and lend a hand, we need game organizers, trophy people, t-shirt sales, 50-50 ticket sales, parking help, raffle ticket sales and general clean up. All volunteers will receive a staff t-shirt, radio and free entrance to the rally.

We need sponsors for the rally, ask your employers and brothers and sisters with a business.

SPONSOR SPOTS: \$150, \$250, \$500 & \$1500
STILL AVAILABLE

Give me a shout if you can find time to lend a hand.

Thanks, Tom
1-254-729-3104

P.S. GREAT JOB DENNIS AND THE EAST TEXAS CHOPPER GUYS FOR A GREAT RALLY!!!

#6 Thomas Williams

#14 Pete Melgar

#16 Dana Young

#18 Jerry Rose

Dee's report appears here as she held this position at the time her report was filed.

Hi! I hope everyone is planning to attend the Jimmie Vaughan benefit concert on September 22nd. Tickets are limited so get yours soon. Have updated my email list according to the list I received from our state secretary, Terri. I have also sent out email renewal notices and will be mailing notices to those without email addresses. I would greatly appreciate it if you would call me at 832-867-5819 or email me at dnative54@yahoo.com if your info has changed. It is so important that we have the updated info so we can keep you better informed of what is going on. Upcoming we have the Mid-South MILE the last weekend in October and I would urge any of you who can attend to do so. You can go to the website for the MILE and get all the info on it plus register. I will be going and if you want to tag up with me for the run up to Arkansas – call me. I continue to join Sputnik on the TV show in Austin whenever I can. I have also attended the Austin chapter of TMRA 2 meetings at Cindy's Gone Hog Wild and the Austin COC meetings where Jimmi outlined his plan for the Texas COC Warriors, which are going to help plus learn the ropes to further our cause statewide and in the Capitol. As the election campaign season heats up, we will need and want any and all input from all of you regarding the candidates so be sure to contact those running for office, publicly if possible, and get their stance and views on the issues that effect us. We will put out the info as we get it so you can be better informed when the primaries get here in March 2008. If you are not registered to vote – please do - since this is our most precious weapon in controlling our government and our future. Also check out VoteRescue.org to see what you can learn and do to help preserve our right to vote and the integrity of the vote. You are all vital to the betterment of this Association in my opinion so please let me know about any ideas that you have to improve it. I need to put on a district

fundraiser in the next year so I am looking for suggestions and opportunities from all of you. Contact me if you can be of assistance.
Ride Safe and Free, Dee McClure

#22 Greg Bodovsky

#24 Ron Ashmore

#25 Dee McClure

#29 Mando

#30 Jim Griffin

#31 Dean Maltsberger

Greetings from what used to be a desert in West Texas. As of the end of July, we have already exceeded our annual rainfall average. I'm just glad that we have not had any severe flooding like some other parts of the state. A preacher once told me that you had better be careful of what you pray for.

It was good to see Sput at the Black Gold rally and get a chance to visit with him for a while. The rally was well organized, but you cannot plan for rain busting up the stage and keeping everybody huddled under the tents and awnings. I'm anxious to see how much the total revenue was raised and how much goes to the rights association.

I called Representative Buddy West's office yesterday to see how he is doing after hospitalization for kidney problems, and was told that he is much better. I still don't know if he will run again for the state rep office. Judge Tryon Lewis from here in Odessa has announced that he will run for that seat, whether Rep West runs or not.

The winner of the \$500 gift certificate raffle was Heath Sanborn from Springtown, TX.

The Permian Basin chapter growth has slowed somewhat. Now we have to work on renewing all those who signed up within the last year and keeping them involved.

Keep safe and ride sober.

Dean Maltsberger
Dist 31 Advisor.

Sent in by Mike Overton
Liberty

"A substantial number of Americans, perhaps a majority, believe that government should dictate where people live, what their housing structures should look like, and how they should be constructed. They believe it is right for government to dictate what curriculum children should study in school. They believe it is right for the government to dictate which land should be cultivated, and which land should not be touched by humans. They believe it is right for the government to dictate the kinds of automobiles that are available for people to purchase. Simply put, a substantial number of Americans believe it is right for government to dictate how people should live. They believe that government should 'engineer' society.

How different is this modern attitude from the belief system that led Americans into war to defeat Nazis' efforts to engineer society? How different is this modern attitude from the belief system that led our founders to declare that the Creator, not the government, endowed people with equal rights to '... life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness?' How different is this modern attitude from the notion that legitimate government is empowered only by the consent of the governed? Society has been successfully engineered to believe that the goal is no longer freedom, but the control of government, which means the control of society, to fit the agenda of the controlling party. The idea of entering public service as an elected official in order to limit the power of government, and maximize the freedom of the individual citizens, is an obsolete concept."

- Henry Lamb

CHAIRMAN's CORNER

Meetings are starting up again on the Toll Road issues. We will attend as many as possible.

We spoke to a class of second year law students at the University of Houston this past week. It was gratifying to see their eyes light up to realize that grassroots activity could defeat paid lobbyist. When we were introduced it was as the expert grassroots lobbying group in Texas. You have made that definition of this association be factual.

As you already know the state office is hosting the Jimmie Vaughn concert next month. Jimmie Vaughn and The Hoike band from Dallas are both donating their time.

Terri is out seeking Sponsors and has already signed up Cowboys Harley Davidson and the Lonestar BMW/Triumph Dealership at \$500 EACH. Tom from LP Cycles will also do a sponsorship. We are waiting to hear back from KGSR radio station and the Austin American Statesman. She also spoke to the Manger of Threadgills Restaurant who said he would be happy to host an event at his place when we get ready.

Terri and her friend Rita, will go back out on Wednesday and take photos for Peter at the BMW shop. Peter will sign up as a supporter member at some level when they stop by there. They will also be calling on other businesses to take up the slack.

Terri and I have decided that the state office will also resurrect the Texas Tea Party for the Fourth of July weekend next year at the former Eagles Landing Park, just outside Abilene. We have already gotten permission from Silver to use the Park. Possibly we could all use our own pistols for the Run-N-Gun Poker Run out there. That lets you know our plans so you can plan your events around them.

Of course The TOG Chapter will host their Rally on the first weekend of November this year and next year the Texas Independence Day Rally will be the first weekend of March. Both events will be held at the Lost Prairie Cycles Ranch outside Groesbeck.

The Senate Finance Committee has passed a tobacco tax supposedly for child health care. The increase in the Federal tax on a pack of cigarettes will be \$0.61. That will be a \$1.61 tax increase on cigarettes in two years. Maybe its time to quit except we will be going to Virginia for the Southern Cross Conference next month and they are really cheap up that way. We

brought back several cartons the last time we were up there.

Ride Safe – Ride Sober
Sputnik
State Chair

TMRA2 SUPPORTER MEMBERS SUPPORTER - \$100 or more

PIG M/C 10/07
Trey Lillitch 03/08
Houston Area COC 10/07
Bandidos M/C, Austin 08/07
Bone Productions 11/07
Boozefighters M/C, Chapter 17, Lubbock 08/07
Tim Moore 5/09
Southern Jokers M/C 8/07
Tom & Colleen Rees 8/07
Dancer Colao 10/07
Denton ABATE 10/07
Andrew Silva 11/07
Texas Wheels M/C Comanche 1/08
Texas Wheels M/C Weatherford 2/08
Veterans of Vietnam M/C Shreveport, La. 2/08
Elden Smith 2/08
Boozefighters M/C Chapter 20 2/08
Gypsy M/C Dayton Chapter 2/08
Third Coast Cruisers RC 3/08
Mark White 4/08
Frank Barak 04/08
Legacy Harley Davidson 9/08
In Memory of Bill Martin 4/08
Jerry Suttle 7/08
Armadillo M/C 7/08
Beulah Ott 7/08
Cott & Billie Kirkham 7/08
Gary Cohron 7/08
Third Coast Cruisers RC Liberty 7/08
Brotherhood of The 74 (Kermit) 8/08
In Memory of Cyndi & Ezee
Circuit Riders M/M 07/08

BRONZE - \$250 or more

Don Poole 9/07

Henry Duckett 9/07

Karl & Cheryl Ford 04/08

SILVER - \$500 or more

Mad Mike & Brenda

Elmer McKeegan 5/08

T-Twisters M/C 11/07

Boozefighters M/C River Oaks Chapter 1/08

Austin Area COC 1/08

David Young 7/08

GOLD - \$1000 or more

Northwest Texas COC

Abilene Gypsy M/C 11/07

Amigos M/C 9/07

PLATINUM - \$1500 or more

East Texas Chopper Guys

Texas Black Gold Rally 8/07

Alamo City Gypsy M/C 11/07