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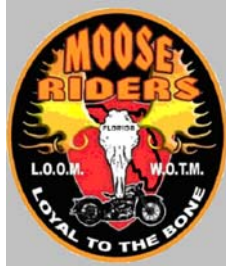
Joan Fedora, Editor and Secretary
State FBMA Moose Riders



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-Pipes Anniversary Issue

Reporting on One Year of Hard Work



Hardly seems a year ago that *Pipes* was just an idea and not a reality. It's hard to believe that it has developed into such a tool for communication, coordination and celebration and that its

pages are read as far away as California, Michigan, Iowa, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, New York, and beyond.

As Editor, I am grateful to every District and Lodge that has contributed, and I am proud to report on the wonderful work everyone is doing. A lot of people have been helped and a lot of money has been raised all over the Florida and the United States by Moose Riders who are dedicated to helping our Moose Charities and their own communities. We celebrate our success in this anniversary issue. Here's to another good year!—*Joan Fedora*

Mooseheart Seniors receive laptops from Florida Moose Riders.

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1st Row L to right: Randell Lee Martin, Vacaville, CA; Robert Blake Mason, Pekin, IL; Donald Reid Clifton, Macon, GA; Christopher Matthew Cole, Salisbury, MD; Heather Sheere Hensley, Benton, AR; Sean Andrew Duffy, Basingstoke, England. 2nd Row: Krystal Lynne Ellsworth, Medina Valley, TX; Stacy Torres, Bridgeview, IL; Kimberly Janeice Phillips, Grand Prairie, TX; Kami Marie D'Andrea, Bridgeview, IL. Top Row: Sarah Michelle Perry, Cedar Rapids, IA; Charlie Titheridge & Joan Fedora; Alexander Ruiz, Batavia, IL.

What Freedom Means to Me

We live free. Allowing us with benefits and daily opportunities that other countries would probably hold with a larger amount of gratitude. How often do we think about how we have become this way? How often do we pray for the men and women who have given up their lives to give freedom to the citizens of this country? Freedom is the highest amount of love that any one person can earn for another. I was given the freedom to be educated, the freedom of choice, the freedom of speech, and so many other abilities that we sometimes as Americans take for granted. I am able to express myself to others in my own way with my own individuality. I can vote. I have the freedom to practice my own religion. There is not one person or group of people that tell me what I have to believe in. I can explore. Free to explore the Appalachian Mountains, the Mississippi River, and the geysers in Yellowstone National Park. America is my playground. I am free. Free to love whomever I wish. Free to have children of my own and raise them as my son or daughter. I am free to create. Create memories with the people I love. I can create new friendships or relationships along the pathway of life. I can create art and music, whatever type I wish. I can drive. Drive down the endless highways of America with the windows down and the gentle breeze flowing past my cheeks. I have the freedom of choice. I can choose where I want to go to college. I can choose where I want to live and work. I get to choose my options for my future. Freedom allows us to make our own choices. We as Americans of this time period have never known different. The soldiers of the past, the present, and the future fought and will continue to fight to keep our freedom alive. Our flag stands tall resembling all of the bloodshed, tears, and hardship our country has gone through to ensure our freedom as Americans today. When you cross your heart to say the "Pledge of Allegiance" and face towards our country's flag, remember just that. We live free; a lifestyle that comes with a great price. A price which most of us will never have to pay. We must remember the soldiers who have fought for our freedom. We must live each day with remembrance and gratitude.

Sandra Tolson, Class of 2009

FBMA Moose Riders Kick Ass, Take Names and Donate Computers

Presenting to the Class of 2009

Friday, May 15

Joan and I arrived in Aurora at 2:30 PM after trading phone calls with people from Best Buy and the St. Charles Lodge as we drove on the Interstate. We checked into our hotel and headed straight to Best Buy in St. Charles to pick up the computers that had been purchased earlier that week. We approached the pick-up desk with fear and trepidation—I think we all know what to expect when told, "Don't worry, everything will be ready."

We asked for Shawna.

She appeared in 2 minutes time and directed us to a cart that held a huge stack of computers. To each box, attached by a blue bowed

ribbon, was a carrying case that Best Buy had donated, together with a card giving a 25% discount for 90 days.

Shawna and others helped us to load the wagon and we took off for the St. Charles Lodge, where we were greeted by Kelly Kent who helped us to unload them and stack them in the Administrator's office. Job done. Now it was "Miller Time".

Sunday, May 17

The graduating class arrived at the St. Charles Lodge together with a bunch of State and Moose International dignitaries. I was approached by one of the kids and was asked if we were privy to who had won the essay competition and which seniors were to receive the 6 computers from the St. Charles Lodge. (OK, the kid was Sean Duffy, a young man from England who had heard there was an Englishman with a big beard roaming around the Lodge.) Of course I knew who had won, but I said I had no idea and he replied he had been thinking of nothing else.

Frankie and Mike O'Harrow, Moose Riders from the Carolinas (who were there to present the combination fax/printer/scanners to all 25 graduates), and Joan and I were asked if we would like to read the essays. We all sat around a table and started to leaf through them. I got only about half way through the first one before it was tissue time.

Frankie put hers down and told the rest of us not to read it because it would break our hearts. (Please see the number one winning essay by Sandra Tolson to the left.)

But then it was time for the awarding of the computers to the essay winners. One by one, the 6 winners were announced and you could see the anticipation in the faces of the students waiting to hear if they had won. But when the last winner was announced, each and every senior congratulated the 6 recipients, a bit disappointed, but happy for their friends.

Now . . . it was Florida's turn. Joan and I made our way to the podium and when we announced that the remaining 12 were to also

receive laptops it was awesome. Obviously the 12 were elated, but it was the reaction of the kids that already had their computers that was inspiring. They were so happy for their friends and everyone was smiling and there was just so much hugging going on. From the ones that had been at Mooseheart in diapers, to the ones that had only been there one year, each and every one was beaming!

The Future

Moose Riders, all of you should feel very proud. FBMA Moose Riders impacted not only the lives and futures of the 12 recipients, but also the entire graduating class. Everyone learned a lesson: with hard work, dedication, and a goal, **dreams can come true.**

Joan and I feel fortunate to have been able to represent you all at Mooseheart. Thanks for making it happen.—*Charlie Titheridge*

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Graduation Day 2009 Photo Source: Mooseheart website.

—Moose Riders, Look What We Did!—

Florida Moose Riders Celebrate a Year of Fundraising

It's been quite a year for the Florida Moose Riders. From new hats for the Youth Ranch, to gasoline money for James J Davis House's summer vacation and school clothes, to new Trikes for Moosehaven, to donating to the Opportunity Lodge Ritual Fund, to raising money for the Yell and Tell program, and finally purchasing new laptop computers for the Mooseheart graduating class, FBMA Moose Riders have a lot to be proud of. But it wasn't only Moose Charities that benefited from the hard work of our riders. Funds were raised for fellow riders in distress, community members suffering from hard times or sudden losses, and local charities and services who needed a helping hand. Help came from the Moose Rider Lodge, District and State levels. Charlie Titheridge and I had the honor and privilege of presenting 12 graduating seniors from Mooseheart last May with laptop computers purchased by the FBMA Moose Riders. Words cannot convey the emotional impact that Sunday as we saw the disbelief and excitement in the faces of those children who would otherwise not have received a computer. The love and gratitude we experienced when we embraced each of the graduating students only made us want to do it again next year. We also spent time with the boys from the James J Davis house listening to them describe their trip to Mt. Rushmore—the fuel costs for which were partially funded by Florida Moose Riders. But the privilege didn't stop there. In Chicago we witnessed the 5th and 8th grade



promotion ceremonies, and on Saturday we were present for the senior class graduation ceremonies and witnessed them emerge as young adults ready to begin another phase in their lives. **Awesome, Moose Riders. Totally awesome.** We've got our work cut out for us because we set the bar pretty high this year. **Kickstands up, Riders.**

Left Top to Bottom: Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch Open House; Delivering new Trike to Moosehaven; Check presentation at Youth Villa; Children of the Davis House at Mooseheart; Jean Davidson of Yell & Tell with Joan Fedora; 2 new Trikes for Moosehaven. Center: Moosehaven resident Lois Lane on her new Trike. Right top: Check presentation to Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch at State Convention. Right side Middle: Seniors receiving computers. Right bottom: 2 more Trikes for Moosehaven.

A Note from a Special Guest

Hi.... I had a wonderful stay at Mooseheart and I met so many Moose Riders from so many places while I was there. I was warmly welcomed and, along with riders from Iowa, Connecticut, Ohio and Illinois, enjoyed the hospitality of the Batavia Lodge the night before the Blessing of the Bikes. I was truly surprised when I visited



Jean Davidson speaks to riders at the Blessing

the wonderful Mooseheart Child City and I even had a chance to do a Yell and Tell session with some of the children. It was so great. Now I am hoping to become a Moose member myself.

Also, I'd like to thank the **Florida Moose Riders** for their donation to the **Yell and Tell** program—it will go a long way to provide training for many children.

I am hoping to be in Florida some time this coming year and perhaps have a chance to catch up with some Florida Moose Riders. For now, I am off to Budapest, Hungary to share Yell and Tell and stories about the families of Harley-Davidson.

If you have a chance, please check out our website at <http://www.yellandtell.com/>
Regards, - Jean Davidson.

FBMA Moose Riders Represented Again at the 2009 Blessing of the Bikes

Over 300 bikes turned out for the 2009 Blessing of the Bikes and over 400 people paid their registration fees. Early on the morning of May 16th the rumble of motorcycles could be heard filling up the field house parking lot as groups of bikes representing states like Connecticut, Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Michigan, South Carolina and many others we never got to see rode in. It was very exciting to see the lot fill up. People were admiring patches and t-shirts and bikes. Children from Mooseheart stopped by to have photos taken on bikes, including some of the boys from the James J Davis house that we met last year. Special guest Jean Davidson was on hand for photos and to sign books. Grand Chancellor Barb McPherson showed up as well.

The night before, riders coming in from other states congregated at the Batavia Lodge, located just down the road from Mooseheart. There we got to meet riders from Iowa who were featured in our last issue of Pipes,

as well as make new friends from Connecticut, Illinois, Ohio and so many other places we can't even begin to list.

The concept of the ride was born 6 years ago at the Lombard Moose Lodge #2350, with only 35 riders participating that first year. Thanks to Bill Curran, President of the Lombard Moose Riders, for getting the whole thing started.

Following the photo session (below) bikers toured leisurely through Mooseheart waving at the children who came out to line the streets. The procession ended at the House of God, where graduating senior, Randy Martin, gave an

eloquent and heartfelt blessing before hundreds of riders and spectators. Bikes then left for an afternoon ride through the countryside of Illinois that ended at a hog roast at a local dealership. Despite some wind, the weather was otherwise beautiful and all participants returned safely. We look forward to next year, and hope we are able to take part again.—*Joan Fedora & Charlie Titheridge*



Blessing of the Bikes Weekend – Mooseheart – May 2009



Blessing of the Bikes Weekend – Mooseheart – May 2009



Thanks to Moose Riders who sent me photos and to the "German" who allowed me to download photos from the Batavia Moose Riders page. --Editor

Weathering the Summer Downpours

—Essentials for riding in the rain.

Rider Notes

Summer Showers

Florida Moose Riders, summer is here and so is the rain. Your ride is going to be

challenged by sudden downpours and wet pavement.

Riders do have the advantage of a superior view of the road and maneuverability, but the playing field changes as soon the first drop of rain hits the road. A review of some basic techniques and skills should help you avoid potentially dangerous situations this year.

Smooth Moves

First things first, be SMOOTH. You don't have the luxury of 4 tires gripping the road, just two tires between you and pavement, so this is not the time to try something stupid. And no matter how good your tires are, accessing that capability requires smooth control inputs to gradually load the tire in order to avoid blasting through the rain shrunk traction range. Be gentle with your brakes and throttle, but balance your grip. When you're riding in the rain, aim to complete your turns before you accelerate.

Traction Action

Allow yourself to sense tire traction by applying smooth but firm control. Don't, however, be too timid. With practice you will learn to turn or brake smoothly and find that a surprising amount of maximum braking or steering deflection is available. Remember, too, that sudden stops in the rain require maximum concentration and practice. Wet discs and pads result in a "lag" time that can catch you off guard.

Slick Surfaces

Keep your eyes on the road for problem surfaces such as painted ones, tar strips, smooth pavement and metal (manholes, grates, tracks, etc.). These can get pretty slippery in the rain. Avoid puddles as they can hide potholes and slick surfaces. Of course, you need to look out for

patches of fluids leaking from automobiles, often in the center of the road or at intersections, ramps, etc.

The Road Ahead

Pay particular attention to traffic ahead to avoid the need for sudden stops or turns, something you should do no matter what the weather. Keep extra room between you and other vehicles. And remember that in the rain visibility (yours and others) is severely reduced, so be aware of potential problems ahead. Summer in Florida means more tourists who don't know where they are going and with school out more inexperienced drivers on the road. Anticipate or assume someone will pull out in front of you and ride accordingly.

Dress to be Seen

Finally, make sure you are seen. Run with your high beam and buy that brightly colored rain suit instead of the cool one you had your eye on—or at least get one with bright reflective markings so that you are seen. You will enhance your visibility to other drivers, which is important because other drivers are concentrating on their driving and not on you. Bottom line, your safety is down to you. Ride wisely and be safe this summer.

Sources: www.dmv.org/how-to-guides/motorcycle-weather-conditions.php; www.bigghog.com/safety/wet_weather.html



--What a Weekend

Riverview Delivers A Rockin' & Rollin' Rally!

District 19 went out of its way to host the 2009 Florida Moose Riders Spring Rally at the Riverview Lodge. Blue skies, warm weather and sunshine provided the perfect backdrop for this ever-growing event.

The Venue

The setting was terrific. The Lodge backs up against a small "river" and the lot includes horseshoe pits, cornhole "pits", a huge tiki bar and plenty of seating was available for guests.

Hot dogs, burgers, fries and nachos were available throughout the day as were the oh-so-refreshing 20 oz. beers. Event T-shirts were available as well as pins. Great designs, great execution. Well done, Riverview. A collection of vendors and a tattoo artist satisfied the crowds and bands rocked out all afternoon and into the night. The Lodge provided some great dinners featuring steak and shrimp and spaghetti, as well as breakfast on Saturday and Sunday.

The Poker Run

The bikes were staggered in groups as the riders rolled out for the 80 mile poker run on Saturday. Temperatures rose and the sun shone brighter and brighter as the afternoon progressed. When they returned to the Lodge, riders enjoyed a bike show and bike games. Of course music and dancing were on tap for the evening and 3 Trikes for Moosehaven were on display, with a "test drive" (or two) taking place on Saturday night.

The Usual Business

A Board Meeting convened Sunday morning at which rally locations for 2010 were confirmed, among other issues. That was followed by a General Membership session



The Riverview Lodge was the perfect setting for the Spring Rally.

during which Riverview Moose Riders and the Lodge were recognized and applauded for their efforts. After all was said and done, Riverview Moose Riders reported raising \$8000 over the course of the Rally—a huge success and a challenge for Haines City.

Fall Rally

Don't forget to mark your calendars for September 25, 26 and 27 for the FBMA Moose Riders Fall Rally. Check out the flyer on the last page.

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Riverview Rally
April 3 - 5, 2009

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Riverview Rally April 3 - 5

DISTRICT NEWS

MOTOR 39 It was a sunny Saturday morning in April when riders from MOTOR 39 gathered at Lodge 2412 in Macclenny for their monthly meeting. Nearly 30 riders discussed new and old business before sitting down to a barbecue lunch prepared by the 2026 WOTM Chapter. At 12:30 it was kickstands up for a glorious Poker Run through Baker County up to Taylor, the Osceola Forest, Lake City and the Lodge, Lake Butler and back up quiet country roads to Macclenny with one last stop before returning to the Lodge to draw final cards. Sis from Mandarin pulled a full house to take away the \$127.50 pot, \$50 of which she generously donated back to the computer fund. Carl Mays had the winning 50/50 ticket, which he donated back as well. At the end of the day MOTOR 39 raised \$287.50 toward the Mooseheart Computer Fund.

Wow, if there was such a thing as too much fun, then Cedar Key was too much fun! What a blast, 18 members, 11 bikes including riders from Macclenny Lodge 2412, Lodge 2020, Lodge 42 and Jax Beach Lodge met up Saturday May 9th at 9:00 AM and we pulled

8 On May 2nd we met with Carl Mays and presented him our check for \$500.00 for a laptop for Mooseheart graduates. A bunch of us took him to lunch and had a very nice visit with him. He and our President, Jim Rix, talked about Lodge 1717 hosting a State Meeting.

We hosted a buffet breakfast on May 3rd for Falcon's River Roost (in Merritt Island), where they did their sign-up for the 9th Annual Chuck McMullen Run. They had close to 100 riders sign up. After we cleaned up the Lodge, we joined in on the poker run. When we returned to River Roost we gave them a donation of \$50.00 for their Fund.

On June 3rd we did a benefit dinner for Kevin Cannella and his wife, Debbie. Kevin is battling with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma. After our dinner sales and raffles, we presented him with a check for \$1146.00. But that's not all, after our getting the word out for them with our flyers, their families, friends, co-workers and former co-workers really stepped up to the plate. In the end the total donation was \$4033.00. We're really



out at 10:00. First stop was the beach to take some group pictures. Then we headed out for Cedar Key, stopping in Gainesville for lunch and then to Suwannee Lodge in Fanning Springs for a visit. We arrived in Cedar Key around 5:30, checking in at Dockside Inn. What a beautiful little town Cedar Key is, the local people welcomed us there. With that said we decided to make this an annual trip, hoping that one weekend in May each year Moose Riders from around the state will overrun this little town.

--Keith Green, MOTOR 39 President

hoping this takes a little pressure off them for a while.

We currently have a "Rev It Up" raffle going on with the drawing to be at 4pm on the 4th of July. We have over \$700 in tickets sales so far and it's going for our General Building Fund as are the proceeds from the Bar-B-Q on the 4th.—Cyndi Katz, Secretary Cocoa Moose Riders



Cocoa Moose Riders proudly display their check for the Mooseheart Seniors Laptop Fund.

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19 We would like to thank all of you who attended the Spring Rally in Riverview.

All of you who didn't make it missed a great time and great weather! We were really expecting a bigger attendance to be honest and for certain reasons some didn't show. In the future we all need to remember why we put these rallies on--to help with "our charities". We all help in certain ways throughout the year, but we need to show up to these rallies and support "each other". It takes a lot of time, effort and a huge amount of money to host a rally, especially now that they are getting bigger. It's hard to predict how many people will show up so you have enough food, shirts, etc. We had to pull special permits that made us pull all of our liquor off the shelves and buy new liquor that had to be tagged just for the event. We figured in a lot more people than actually showed and because of this we donated a lot of food to a local church. I'm just sorry more of you couldn't attend.

Sooooo with that being said, PLEASE support District 20 and Haines City when they do the Fall Rally. They are busting their butts to make it even better than ours. They



have some great people over there and so much support. We know they will get it done! Go get 'em guys and gals. We can't wait to come over there sit back relax and party!

I'm sure everyone knows by now that we raised \$8000.00 for our charities and Brandon donated one trike and Riverview donated 3 trikes for Moosehaven. Brandon also donated a computer and Riverview donated a computer for Mooseheart seniors. A huge thanks goes to our Riverview Moose Lodge for putting up with us Moose Riders, as stubborn as we were to make this event happen, and for helping us to make this a huge success. It would have never happened if it wasn't for our Lodge. Our Moose Rider board and our Lodge board became "one big officer board" and had so many meetings to make sure this went off well and I think we did it! Maybe one day we can do it again.....Not anytime soon though.

We would like to welcome North Hillsboro to our district. They are getting cranked up over there and are excited about being part of the Moose Riders so it's great to have them. Great job over there Chuck!

We do have some bad news to report and that is Randy LeMere did pass away from results of his motorcycle accident. He will be so deeply missed. All that knew Randy loved him so much. He was such a great person who respected everyone and was so much fun to be around. He was a big Moose Riders supporter. Everywhere he went he talked about the Moose Riders! I just thank God I got the chance to meet Randy and hang with him the amount of time I did. Well that's about it for now and of course the rainy season is upon us so here's a tip....don't look at the weather radar and just go ride! Peace!

—Mike Tanner, President, Riverview

IN MEMORIAM
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In the last issue our president Mike Tanner wrote about the passing of Dave Aspinwall and injuries to another brother Randy LaMere. Randy was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident in February and I am very sorry to have to report back to you all that Randy LaMere has also passed away due to injuries received. He was my best friend and riding partner of over 23 years.

District 19 Moose Riders are deeply saddened by the loss of our brothers, brothers who were both very proud to be Loyal Order of Moose and especially proud to be Moose Riders with the 2158th riders at Riverview. The LaMere family and friends would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for all the help, support and donations raised at the state rally and to thank you all. Please keep the LaMere family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

—Carl LeMay

DISTRICT NEWS

SPRING HILL

Hey! Spring Hill Moose Riders here. Although we are only 5 months along and 20 members strong it has been a very exciting time! February was our "Kick Start" Pig Roast and a very successful one. Good food, good music, good fun! Spring Hill would like to thank all for their support, with a special BIG THANKS to our fellow Moose Riders from Zephyrhills and Riverview that traveled so far to support us. We look forward to seeing you and others in the fall for another one.

Since our Pig roast, we have had some great rides. Some just for fun and others for charities. We had a great ride to Riverview for their rally. Nice Lodge down there and the hospitality was great. Sorry we did not stay longer—heard it was great guys! We also attended the Vietnam Vets Rally the same day—great show they put on with the parachutists. God Bless America and thank you to our Veterans. Other runs were for The Cancer Institute here in Hernando County; Land O' Lakes sponsored a run for Spinal Injury research; and there were a few

23 On June 20th, approximately 50 District 23 Moose Riders joined an ABATE-sponsored Poker Run to benefit a local family affected by Child Abuse, and to raise awareness for Child Abuse.

Joining District 23, we had 2 Lodges form their own Lodge Moose Rider groups: Arcadia and Sebring. Sebring held a Fish Fry on June 7th to kick off the start of their group.

At the last rally in Riverview, District 23 was rewarded the Fall 2010 rally! Something we are very excited about it.



On May 16th, about 30 District 23 Moose Riders headed to Ft. Myers Beach for our 2nd Annual Beach Bash. This year we were lucky enough to have sunshine the whole weekend. The Ft. Myers Beach Moose Lodge held a steak dinner on Saturday night and breakfast on



small ones for local people in the community. Leesburg was a great time. Our Poker Run for Moffit Cancer Center was in honor of a lady member in our Lodge who is battling cancer for the 2nd time. Thank you to all who attended.

All in all, the best part of starting this group is the friendships made. We wear our Moose Rider logo with pride and integrity, and truly enjoy helping our community and other Lodges. It may not be a whole lot, but every little bit counts. We look forward to seeing some of you again and meeting more of you. Till then ride safe!

—Spring Hill Moose Riders: Steve Gagnon, President



Sunday morning. We also had a fully stocked hospitality room available. We do this event to show appreciation to our riders for the time that everyone puts in.

The summer months for District 23 Riders are usually pretty quiet, with a good portion of our members being up North for the summer. We hope to have small events, but as of now, we have nothing major planned.

On October 10th, we will be having our 2nd Annual Biketoberfest, to be held at the Highlands County Lodge. There will be a live band, food, bike games, and entertainment for children.—Gary Dunford, President District 23

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4 So far, this year has had many fulfilling achievements as well as some sadness.

Our circle of Moose on Bikes was broken times 3 this year with the loss of Chuck Terrell, Steve Trembly and most recently James "Buck" Buckley. Buckley was a devoted member of the Davie Lodge, a member of Moose Legion, a Fellow and a member of Moose on Bikes. Buck was born March 3, 1938, and left us June 11, 2009. We will be having a ride in July to honor them. All three left us way too soon, but their memories will live on within all of us.

On a happier note, in early February 2009, District 4 Moose Riders hosted the Board Meeting at the Davie Lodge with a ride to the other Lodges in the district. Moose Riders rode in the Orange Blossom Parade in February behind the Moose Float, which was reconstructed by Moose on Bikes. The float hosted our children of the Moose, who all had a fantastic time riding in the parade. Moose on Bikes presented the Davie police department with a Canine bullet proof vest during the parade.

Moose Riders held a BBQ at the Lauderdale Lakes Lodge on May 17, 2009. The purpose of this BBQ was to raise funds to purchase 2 laptops for graduating seniors from Mooseheart. With a little hard work, we raised the funds and 2 laptops were purchased. Moose on Bikes continues to have monthly BBQs at the Davie lodge. From these BBQs donations are sent to Mooseheart and Moosehaven, with recent checks for \$100.00

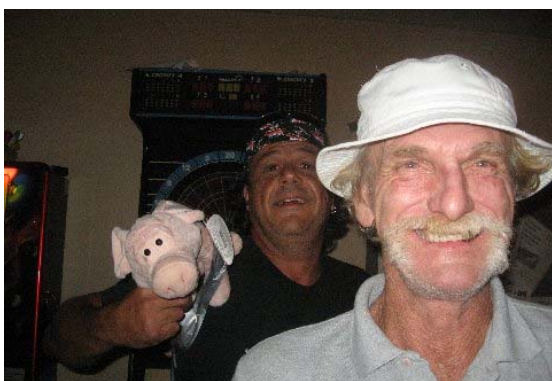


Barbecue at Lauderdale Lakes Lodge



"Buck" Buckley - March 3, 1938 – June 10, 2009

to each. We also continue to support our local charity, Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches, as well as visit the ailing. -Gary Mundorf, President



Steve Trembly – Fellow Rider and Friend

IN MEMORIAM

JAMES BUCKLEY
CHUCK TERRELL
STEVE TREMBLY

All three left us way too soon, but their memories will live on within all of us.

District 4 Moose Riders, Friends and Beloved Families

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20 It has been a busy few months. First let me say that District 20 was able to meet their goal and donated 3 computers to the graduating class at Mooseheart. In April, District 20 supported the "Red Knights" (Firefighters motorcycle group) in their endeavor to make the "Guinness World Book of Records", by holding the "World's Largest Poker Run". They were successful and raised more than \$80,000 for families of fallen firefighters.

District 20 Moose Riders held a poker run for a LOOM fundraiser in April at S. Lakeland Mulberry. In May we held a poker run for "The American Cancer Society Relay for Life" and raised \$588.00 for cancer. I want to thank Lee Ann Bailey (a new Moose Rider member) for all the hard work she put into this event, and for including Moose Riders. Lee Ann lost her husband Scott (a charter Moose Rider member) to cancer just a few short months ago.

Haines City Moose Riders Group has started something new in May. Once a month there's a poker run called "House to House". The group rides to five different members' homes with the intention of getting to know fellow Moose Riders better. The first run raised over \$800. The Haines City June run was on the 14th, and they also had a ride to the "Sunshine Foundation" on June 28th to deliver Teddy Bears purchased for the children. Haines City Moose Riders contributed \$600.00 for the graduating class of Mooseheart computers. The group holds their meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Lake Wales Moose Riders Group is on fire, passing their goal of 100 members. They are hosting the District 20 Moose Riders "Fall Rally Fundraiser" on June 20th and have a big "Fun N Sun" day planned to include a poker run and all day events. All proceeds will go to help put on the Fall Rally in September. They have made many local charity donations, and donated \$600.00 for the Mooseheart graduating class computers. This group really supports our District. Thank you President Gina Perrin: you do an exceptional job! Gina has been with us every step of the way in planning the Fall Rally. I don't know what I would do without her.

I am proud to announce that District 20 has a new Moose Rider Lodge Group. **Lakeland 945** started their group on Tuesday June 9th. Board of officers include: President: Ronald

Hopper, (better known as "HOPPI"); Vice President: Roger Weinstock; Sec./Treasurer: Cathy Halterman; Sgt. at Arms: Michael Curtis; (better known as "MAD DOG"). They are hosting the next District meeting on July 18th. Lakeland will hold their monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday of each month.

As my second term as District Chairman, winds down, I can't say enough about Moose Riders and all the good we have done. It is a pleasure to be a part of this great group of people. I can't emphasize enough the most important thing for all Moose Rider members is being a Moose member. Our goal should be to support our Lodges, Districts, and State events and charities first. We are all Moose members or we would not have Moose Rider groups.

I want to thank all of my members who are working hard to plan the upcoming Fall Rally, It will be a fantastic weekend. Be sure you are there or you will miss the time of a lifetime!! Remember:

IF IT AIN'T FUN WE AIN'T DOING IT!

—Gerald Lambert, District 20 Chairman

(Editor Note: Check out the raffle below. Profits will be used to underwrite the Fall Rally in Haines City.)

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What good is a computer without a printer?

Carolina Moose Riders Donate 25 Color Printers

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Mike and I left South Carolina early Thursday morning (May 14th) under the threat of rain for the whole day. Our plan was to get as far as possible toward our destination right outside of Chicago before the girl pooped out. We rode the first 400 miles on the interstate with no mishaps, but as rain clouds appeared and because we were tired of the interstate, we consulted the map for our first route change. After choosing a likely looking road, we headed north. Just before leaving the state of Tennessee, we found our first place to rest: the Alvin C. York memorial farm. It was in the middle of nowhere with nothing nearby. We didn't take the time for a tour, but did enjoy the grounds.

Leaving the farm, we continued north into Kentucky through "road improvements" and a 20 mile long blasting zone. We came to our northward turn and stopped to consult the map to be sure that we were going in the right direction. Funny thing, in Kentucky, many rural roads aren't marked "east" or "west" – I think you're just supposed to know! About 50 miles down the road, Mike observed that the road WAS marked directionally (South) and we were almost back in Tennessee! Back on track again we headed for Cave City, KY to spend the night.

In the morning with more gloomy news from the Weather Channel, we headed north up the interstate, but due to construction warnings, we decided to leave the interstate and try back roads again. By this time, we were only about 50 miles outside of Chicago but, the Weather Channel's predictions finally came true with a huge downpour. We made it to our hotel just after dark.

We spent the next couple of days in Chicago, visiting Moose Lodges and Mooseheart. We attended the Blessing of the Bikes on Saturday. One of the seniors asked to be allowed to give the blessing, and he did a fantastic job. After the Blessing of the Bikes, we met a wonderful lady from Atlantic City, NJ. She rode her 2004 GL1800 to Chicago by herself since none of her friends



Alvin C. York Memorial Farm, Tennessee



Frankie & Mike O'Harrow with the Graduating Class

would ride that far – and she was only 62! We ended with a terrific steak dinner at the Lombard, IL, Lodge.

Sunday, we went to the St. Charles, IL, Lodge and met all of the graduating high school seniors. St. Charles Moose Riders presented 6 laptop computers to well-deserving essay winners and then Charlie and Joan presented 12 more from the Florida Bermuda Moose Riders. Every one of the seniors received a new laptop computer this year. Mike was able to present all of the seniors with the printers that the Carolina Moose Rider groups had donated for their college education. It was a great moment! The seniors were almost like aliens—appreciative, well behaved, nice to each other, and very polite. Nothing like any of the kids I knew that were around that age. I was gratified to be able to help.

Monday morning, we left Chicago and headed for Holland, MI, for the aftermath of the Tulip Festival, then to Battle Creek, and we finished the day in Jackson, Michigan, just outside Detroit. After a brief stay in Dundee, Michigan, to see Mike's brother and his wife, we headed for North Carolina, hoping to hook up with some friends. But some mechanical problems resulted in an unsuccessful day searching for points, so we limped home on Monday, deterred only by some significant rain just 35 miles from home. All in all, it was a terrific trip!—Frankie O'Harrow, Surfside, SC

Circleville, Marysville & Whitehouse-Waterville Ride in Herd of 39 Moose Riders from Ohio at Blessing



We had 39 Moose Riders from Ohio, at the Blessing which was the 2nd largest state representation next to **Illinois.**

It rained the last 100 miles of the ride coming into Chicago and it was very windy Saturday for the ride after blessing, which wound up with free food, beer, and a band at the St.

Charles H-D shop. Some of the kids we saw at the Blessing were from the Ohio House and they were very excited to see us (my favorite part of the weekend). *Steve Riggs, Ohio State Moose Riders Chairman*



2009 Mooseheart Blessing of the Bikes Ohio Attendees, (not in order)

Herd 2440 Circleville Moose Riders: Joe Trapp, Sabrina Colburn, Darrel Creager, Jackie Arbaugh, Jamie and Jill Arnold, Mike and Wendi Roeder, Art and Robin Lowery, Tim and Lisa Coldiron, Ron Perdeu, Jim Holland.

Herd 1651 Marysville Moose Riders: Steve Riggs and Janet Ward.

Herd 2537 Whitehouse-Waterville Moose Riders: Ray and Karen Rutelge, Andy Gustafson, Sharon Moore, Jeff Sosbe, Susan Sequra, John Roberts, Wanda St. Clair, Leo Jeffers, Bob and Gloria Gilders, Jeff and Deb Potter, Rob Ernsberger, Jaime Sosbe, Ron and Jodi Gorney, Dave and Lori Tibble



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—It's gonna be a great summer in Sparta

Michigan Riders Make Improvements at Lodge



Moose Riders from Sparta, MI, Lodge #50 were unable to make it to the Blessing of the Bikes for a multitude of reasons. Yucky weather being the key reason.

Our annual Charity Run was scheduled for June 20, (too late to report on for this issue.) This is our 4th Annual Charity Ride and Bike Show and the proceeds from this ride will go to Hospice of Michigan, Pediatric Services. We featured, in addition to the charity run, a motorcycle show, a raffle and breakfast. We'd like to report that last Spring the MOB did provide and install a play area for our children at the Lodge. We had a lot help putting it together and look forward to seeing the kids enjoy it over the summer.



With good weather coming, we hope to have more to report next time. *Dick PreFontaine*



Anderson S. Carolina Moose Riders Honor MIA-POWs



On May 9, 2009, Moose Riders sponsored a flag raising ceremony at the Anderson Moose Lodge in South Carolina.

A dozen or so riders as well as veterans and members from nearby Lodges were on hand to take part in the ceremony honoring our nation's MIA-POWs.

—Debbie Ellett

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—Lombard Lodge Responsible for First-Ever Blessing of the Bikes

Illinois Riders Say Goodbye to Mooseheart Senior

Stacy Torres, Class of 2009

Lombard Moose Riders, Lombard, IL.

To the right is a photo of “Lil” Bill Curran the President of the Lombard Moose Riders, giving his speech at the beginning of the Blessing of the Bikes Ceremony. This was the 6th annual blessing, an event that was created by the Lombard Lodge 2350 Moose Riders. Prior to this ceremony, motorcycles were not allowed on the grounds of Mooseheart. Now, the kids can’t wait for this because the riders visit some of the houses and let the kids sit on their bikes. The kids LOVE it! The first blessing contained 34 motorcycles, this year we had 311 bikes and numerous cars. There were people from Florida, Atlanta, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin and one lady rode alone on her bike from New Jersey! Jean Davidson, granddaughter of the founder of Harley Davidson (standing on the far left in the photo), was this year’s special guest...

Mooseheart Illinois House resident, Stacy Torres graduated in May and is going home to Schererville, Indiana to be with her family and attend Lincoln College. She graduated with honors and plans to work and go to college to major in criminal justice. Way to go Stacy!!! The graduation ceremony itself was very touching and with only 25 graduates the entire field house was filled beyond capacity! The Women of the Moose have become very fond of Stacy and while we were at her graduation we did get to meet her little sister, who was also staying in the Illinois House. We are going to truly miss her, but plan on keeping in touch.

We are in the planning stages of an upcoming event right now. The Lombard MRA goes on an overnight ride each year--just for fun. This year the event is scheduled for July 18, 2009. We will be riding to and spending the evening in Savannah, Illinois, and then on to Animosa, Iowa, on Sunday morning to visit the National Motorcycle Museum located there.

If anyone plans to be in the Illinois area in July and is interested in riding with us, we will meet at Lombard Lodge by 8:30 am on the 18th, where we will have breakfast and then begin our ride. We’ve got a block of rooms at the Super 8 in Savannah reserved under the Lombard MRA 2350. The phone #



is 815/273-2288 and the discounted price is \$88.10 for the night (tax incl.).

Until next time, be safe and keep the rubber side down.—Dawn Curran, Lombard MRA 2350

(Editor’s Note: Stacy Torres was one of the recipients of FBMA Moose Riders’ donated laptop computers. We are delighted to have met her and wish her well. Below is her thank you note.)

Thank you for everything!

DEAR FBMA MOOSE RIDERS

Thank you! like one of the moose riders said at Charles "what's a laptop with out a printer" and when they told us that everyone was going to get one that brought tears to my eyes. But leave it to you. Thank you so much god bless

Sincerely,

Stacy Torres
Class of 2009



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—Phenix Lodge Will Rise from the Ashes

Alabama Moose Riders Helping to Rebuild



We're still in the process of rebuilding our Lodge, which was destroyed by a fire a couple of years ago. To raise money we've planned an event in August, but all the details of the "frolic" part are not worked out yet. We had the poker run already set up and added the frolic part to continue the rebuilding process. We know there will be entertainment Friday and Saturday nights, some planned and some, as with all good Moose and Moose Riders, that is unplanned. We promise a great time

and certainly appreciate any Moose Riders who come and help us get back on our feet. We have some space available for campers but no electrical hookups. The space is on the slab where our building was. I am working with a couple of nearby motels on rates but this is not finalized yet. If you're interested please give us a call. With a little good fortune the pool will be up and running by this time. Thanks for your help.

—Denny Brown, Phenix City Moose Riders 1876



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*News from our Neighbors***Georgia Riders Invade Panama City**

—Canton #2129

Moose Riders**Thunder Beach**

The District 1 Moose Riders had 18 bikes from three different lodges (Canton GA, Mableton GA, and Phenix City AL) make the trek to Panama City for Thunder Beach for a long weekend of fun, fellowship, and making new friends. Our new friends from the PCB Moose Lodge #1389 welcomed us for a great steak dinner Friday night. Those ladies from Chapter 1756 can sure deliver great hugs! We met Moose Riders from Tallahassee and even sang Karaoke for our Regional Director, Mr. Jerry Monk. He is the handsome one in the middle (Please ignore the beer bottles!). We all had a blast over the weekend and if you see Jerry, please pitch in for bail money.

**C.A.M.P. Donations**

We raised a bunch of money and collected clothing donations between Canton and Mableton Moose Riders for C.A.M.P. This is an organization that volunteers emotional and financial support for disadvantaged children. Mableton Moose Riders did a great job coordinating a Poker Run to raise funds and local businesses allowed us to collect clothing donations that will continue throughout the year.

Check out the Chili

Our District 1 Moose Riders have a full schedule of Rides planned this year to benefit our chosen charities. We would like to send a special invitation to everyone in the area to compete in our Chili Challenge. Best chili entered from a Moose Lodge gets their name on a traveling plaque to prominently display in their Lodge and individual trophies will be presented. Best of all, you get to sample a wide variety of different recipes and if you win, you get to brag till the next one!

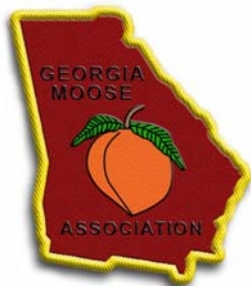
4th of July Float

Our next big ride is scheduled for July 4. Our Chapter will be decorating a float and our Moose Riders will be tagging along to show support for our great country and the men and women who protect our freedom. Come by and join the party and festivities afterward. Until next time, Welcome to Life. Get out and live it. *Respectfully submitted – Rich Lalama President Canton Moose Riders Lodge #2129*

2009 Ride Schedule

- July 4 Weekend Victory parade!
- July 18 Open Gate Christmas in July
- August 8 Treasure hunt for Sheriff's Youth Home
- August 22 Challenger Baseball Benefit
- August 29 Mooseheart Ride
- October 3 Chili Cook-off

Plus, many local rides in the GA mountains each month!



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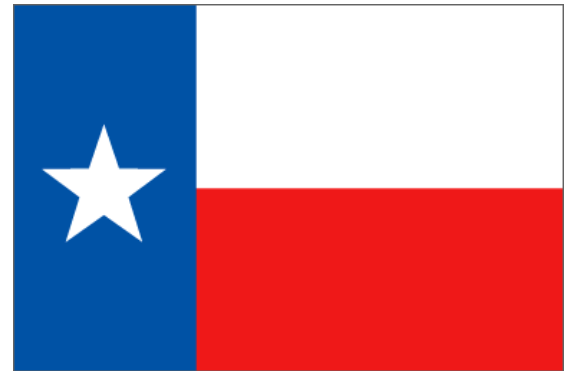
—Copperas Cove, TX

Moose Riders are Back in Central Texas

Moose Riders C2 is out of Lodge #2029 in Copperas Cove, TX, which is located in Central Texas just outside of Ft Hood, home of the 1st Calvary Division, 4th ID, and 3rd ACR. We were founded just over two years ago by Lodge members with a love of riding and our Lodge. Since we are a military town, several of our members have been deploying to the Middle East either as troops or in support of troops. This caused Moose Riders C2 to be put on the back burner for a bit. Moose Riders C2 is now back and stronger than ever.

At present there are only 8 members but with the backing of our Lodge we expect to grow soon. Central Texas has a large motorcycle community and we expect to get ourselves out there.

Since we are still a small group (for now), we have decided to first boost the interests of our current members, our Lodge, and potential members. Just this last week a group attended the Republic of Texas Rally in Austin, TX. If you ever make it down here in June, ROT Rally is the place to be with over 40,000 bikers in attendance. We have also



planned a weekend summer retreat at one of the local lakes for a little family fun in July.

Additionally a group plans on riding up to Sturgis 2009. Our plans are to be there from July 31st to Aug 4th. It would be great to link up with other Moose Riders while there. For more information contact me at dmcphail@earthlink.net or on Facebook at Moose Riders C2.

Lastly I would like to send a big thank you out to several Moose Riders who have helped guide us through this growing time. We greatly appreciate all the brotherhood each of you has provided us.

—David A. McPhail, Treasurer, Copperas Cove, TX



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—Second Connecticut Moose Riders Group forms Middletown

New England House Welcomes Connecticut Riders

Hello from the Nutmeg State and the Middletown Moose Riders. Connecticut now has two Moose Rider groups, the first in Bozrah and now in Middletown, CT. The Middletown Lodge, LOOM 1547 and WOTM 2296 welcomed the Moose Riders in November of 2008. Since our start we are now 20 members strong and looking forward to a full riding season. Our first successful event was in February, while we were suffering from PMS (parked motorcycle syndrome). The Moose Riders took a successful bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino with members from our Lodge and the local Eagles. Although no one hit the jackpot, a good time was had by all and the Moose Riders were able to raise enough money to buy our first order of Middletown Moose Rider t-shirts. When the weather began to turn warmer we were able to take a Mother's Day ride to a great restaurant in Rhode Island. We have also worked to create a large back patch that can be customized for any lodge, with town state LOOM # and WOTM#. Four of our members also made the 1000 mile trip, one way, out to Mooseheart for the Bike Blessing in May. A big thanks goes out to the Batavia Lodge for their Friday Night hospitality, although they seemed a little surprised when we did the "electric slide."



New England House Students and Middletown Moose Riders

The Bike Blessing was amazing, although the wind was brutal. We are much more accustomed to a ride through the wooded hills of Connecticut.

We were also lucky enough to be able to meet the students and family teachers of the New England house later that day. All received Middletown Moose Rider t-shirts, and \$50 per student, thanks to the generous donations by our Lodge. All of New England is preparing for these students to come for a visit this summer and the Middletown Moose Riders plan to be an active part of their visit to Connecticut.

We are looking forward to an adventure-filled riding season finishing with a 4 state, 2 day fall "foliage run" in October. Then we will be suffering from PMS again.

If you are planning a trip "north" or have an interest in purchasing customized back patches for your group please contact **Erika**, our Secretary, at ctmooseridemdtwn@live.com. Keep Smiling and Keep Riding.—*Erika Buatti, Secretary*



Middletown, CT, Moose Riders Founding Members

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Message from Florida's Moose Riders Chairman—**Remember Where We Came From and How We Got Here**

WOW – That's about all you can say on what's been accomplished this year by the Florida Moose Riders. So far, we have helped supply ALL the graduating seniors at Mooseheart with computers, met half our goal to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, donated 4 Trikes to Moosehaven, helped send their Ritual Team to Convention, contributed to Moosehaven's new phone system and had a very successful Spring Rally. All that and we're only halfway through the year. To that, I say, "Thank You".

Growing our Numbers

As we move forward in 2009, our ranks continue to grow. All areas of the state are starting Moose Rider Groups, so it is important to understand that we will only be a strong and vital entity of the Moose Organization if we stick together and support each other and our charities as State Moose Riders. Keep in mind we are not a motorcycle club. We are only Moose Members raising money for Moose Charities on our bikes.

The Guidelines Stop Here

If you are starting a new MR Group, you no longer need to have your guidelines approved by Moose International. As of 2008 all liability of Moose Riders was shifted to the Lodge. Instead of inspiring and promoting us from International headquarters, they decided to put it solely in the hands of the Lodge. M-I likes what we are doing; however, they do not want the liability of motorcycles. With that said, when you set up your guidelines for the first time, you only have to have it signed by your Lodge Governor and Lodge Administrator and the Moose Rider President. When it comes to Charters, there is no such thing nor has there ever been a Charter for Moose Riders from Moose International. As a State Group, we have given out some Charters for Districts. If Lodge Groups are interested in Charters, we can discuss this at our next meeting and decide if we are going to award any more Charters to Districts or Lodges.

Support for Our Rallies

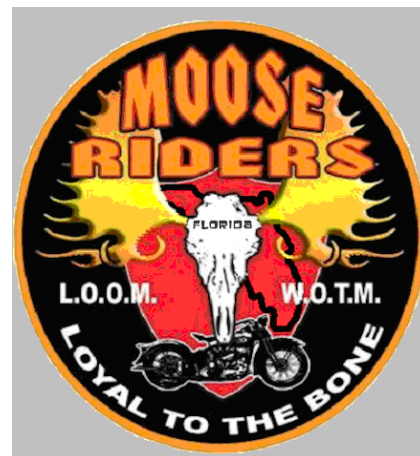
Fall Rally – Don't forget the Fall Rally in Haines City this September 25th thru 27th. This needs to be the biggest and best one yet. Anyone who missed the Riverview Rally this spring missed one heck of a good time. All Moose Riders, especially anyone wanting the

get a Moose Rider Group started in their Lodge, absolutely needs to attend the Rally. This is the time to talk to fellow Moose Riders, share information and raise one hell of a lot of money for our Charities. Riverview did a great job; however, I was still disappointed with the turnout from some of our Districts. Times are a little tough, but we need to support the efforts of the Districts or the Lodges who spend a year planning an event like this. We can all raise substantial money with a Saturday night dance, but a rally is a weekend-long event that should raise thousands of dollars. Don't get me wrong, I appreciate everything everyone has done, just talk to your members and emphasize the importance of attending these events. We need everyone's support.

Where We Came From

Last but not least, remember how we have gotten as far as we have—by sticking together and supporting each other. Fifteen years ago, I had an opportunity to take a management position in the company I work for. Before I accepted the position, I talked to a co-worker, a very good friend of mine, about this opportunity. My friend told me it would all work out as long as I "never forgot where I'd come from." I have always remembered what he had said and because of that I have been very successful in my career. If we always remember where the MOOSE RIDERS come from, we will always be successful. As we move into the future always keep in mind "Where You Came From" and I guarantee we will continue to be successful. Until next time keep the shiny side up, the rubber on the road and "KICK STANDS UP"

Carl L. Mays, FBMA State MR Chairman



—July 2009 Featured Rider Liz String – New Jersey

Living Life to the Fullest—and Then Some . . .

We met up with Liz at the Blessing of the Bikes and were surprised to hear that she rode solo from New Jersey to Mooseheart on her 2003 1800cc, Gold Wing. She will be the ripe young age of 60 this July and isn't about to slow down. We asked Liz to tell us about herself. Here's her story.



Liz String, Atlantic City, NJ – Moose Rider, Past Sr. Regent

I don't believe in putting off life. I live it to the fullest (putting a good 10,000 miles on my bike every year). I have no time for the bull, so I either fix it, or forget it. I believe in life: that *You* find what *You* are looking for!

I am DD in WITW Shore Riders Chapter for over 5 years; where we take Sisters who are new riders under our wings, and try to guide and protect them. I am also an officer for Motorcycle Rights Association of NJ for over 5 years, and I have organized between 10-30 bikes for the past 7 years in the Atlantic City St. Patrick's Parade. I am proud to be a part of the MRA Safety campaign, and I also work full time as a dealer at Harrahs, since 1980—but I demand my play time!

I have ridden with the POLAR BEARS and, in fact, I ride all winter long—200-300 miles every Sunday @ 20 degree temperatures, November to April in NJ. These rides are not for wimps, but the elderly like Leo who is 92 and Gloria who is 85 are always welcome.

I'm looking forward to doing motor crew for a 2 day Cancer Walk on Oct 9 & 10, I'm an avid kayaker, and last but not least, once a

year I do a 45 mile bicycle tour of New York City—the only time I'm on two wheels without a motor!

My husband Raymond does not ride, but totally supports my little trips, and he is thankful that I have lots of riding buddies. I consider him the "Angel in my pocket", as he always comments when I return from a ride, "I prayed for you." He encourages me to live my life in my way, as he does his! He is in his seventies, a retired brick layer; and could walk your butt off anytime. As a matter of fact, this is one Old Lady who can't keep up with him. Ray and I dated in '73 (a cold winter night back in '73, lol) but we were both what you might call "a little high strung" back then. 20 years and many hard roads later, back in '94, we both slowed down and we tied the knot. If you wonder what all this has to do with Moose Riders; it is about bikers, bikers with Big Hearts.--Liz



Quarterly Calendar of Events

July 2009

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September 2009

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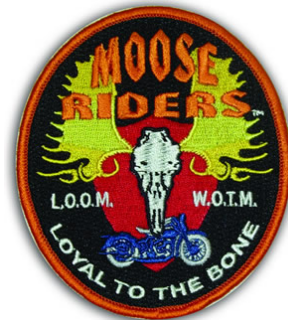
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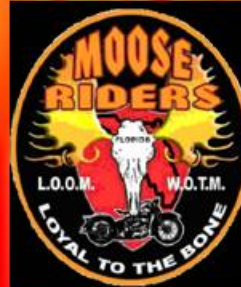
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