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Pipes is published quarterly in January, April, July and October. Our goal is to keep Florida Moose Riders informed of important issues, to publicize district fundraising opportunities and let you know about special events at other Lodges or districts. Please submit your coming events, articles, information or suggestions to me at fbmapipes@yahoo.com or fbmanews@yahoo.com. © 2010—Joan Fedora, Editor 🍂

Honorable Mention Beats No Mention at All

“Best Story” Honorable Mention for “Pipes” Laptop Article



This is the 10th issue of Pipes to come off the “presses” and this year is the first time we’ve entered the Moose International Journalism Awards competition. Although submitted, *Pipes* was not included in the General Excellence Category for an Association (FBMA) publication due to a technicality of only allowing only one entry per association.

The only other available category was Best Story, for which a number of *Pipes* articles were submitted. I’m proud to announce that the article titled “Presenting to the Class of 2009”, written by Charlie Titheridge for the July 2009 issue, was selected to receive honorable mention in this category. The other contenders in the category came from

all Moose International publications, not limited by any categories whatsoever. The competition was stiff. That’s what makes this an important award for Moose Riders.

And what an article to win with. This story reports on the first laptop donation made by Florida Moose Riders in May of 2009 and it represents the best of what we as Moose Riders do.

Charlie’s engaging style and point of view succeeded in conveying the emotions and joy everyone felt on that day and hopefully, if it didn’t bring a tear to, at least it opened the eyes of every individual who read it, especially those at Moose International.

This kind of reporting is responsible for a second presentation of laptops this year and a successful last minute scramble to raise money for the printers by our brother and sister Moose Riders across the country. Communication and unified focus make what we do possible, and winning a competition like this gets us the recognition we deserve.

Moose Riders, keep up the good work and give us more to write about and more stories to enter into this competition next year.

Thanks to Charlie for your wonderful article and thanks to everyone for supporting Pipes.

—Joan Fedora, Editor

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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



Graduation Day 2009 Photo Source: Mooseheart website.

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

—Moose Riders Board Meeting is Pretty in Pink

Lake Wales Hosts Board Officers Meeting



Frank "Dink" Dinkle takes his motorized cooler for a little spin.

Dink is a true Moose Member and a very important Moose Rider. He is Jr. Gov. and always there as a friend and helper. Breathing is a little difficult these days, but that does not stop him from stepping up to the plate when help is needed. He is a retired Washington DC fireman, has been a Moose member for over 20 awesome years, a Fellow, a Moose Legionnaire, and an ace as a Moose Rider. You can catch him in the Lake Wales kitchen cooking anytime there is food to be prepared. Dink is enjoying every minute of his new toy. He loads it up with Miller Lite and drives down to the Lake to enjoy the waters. It is his full time transportation on his property—does not know how he has lived without it or not having to walk to the refrigerator for his liquid gold.—Gina Perrin



Moose Rider of the Year Ed Monahan is presented with his "official" MRotY award on Saturday following the meeting. Ed was one of the riders behind the "Homage in Pink" for Charlie T. fashioning his own outfit after Charlie's from the Spring Rally in Mandarin.

Late July in central Florida is hardly the best time for a gathering of motorcyclists. With temperatures inching towards the centennial mark and the outer bands of Tropical Storm Bonnie passing overhead, a few riders did, however, put kickstands up and ride. With the prospect of a Moose Riders weekend, a whole lot more got behind the wheel to make their way to Lake Wales for the quarterly State Officers and District Chairmen's meeting.

The MOTOR 39 contingent and District 2 (Miami) riders showed up Friday evening to enjoy a steak dinner and some pretty darned good karaoke, not to mention bucket upon bucket of beer.

More Moose Riders started arriving midday on Saturday and the party was underway. District Chairmen and the State Board officers squirreled themselves away in the game room at 1:00 for the meeting.

Many items were covered, including rally locations for 2011. South Florida (Districts 2 and 4) threw their hat into the ring for September of 2011. Currently the Board is investigating an alternative to a Spring Rally—a Moose Riders Getaway weekend. The consensus is we can still raise money without the stress of putting on another rally. District Chair Gina Perrin was assigned the task of finding a suitable location that would allow Moose Riders to celebrate in their "normal" manner. More about this new adventure on page 28 & 29.

Following the meeting, the officers adjourned to the social quarters to make some formal presentations, including the official award to Ed Monahan who was named Moose Rider of the Year at the March Rally. Also, Frank Dinkle, "Dink", of Lake Wales was completely surprised to find out he had won the motorized cooler raffled off at the March rally (it had been held up in shipment nearly 3 months!). Dink was later seen burning some rubber in the game room (the black tire marks were there to prove it).



District 20 and Lake Wales outdid themselves for the Meeting.

In homage to Macclenny rider and past Vice Chairman Charlie T, Lake Wales handed out pink t-shirts to everyone and when Charlie returned to the main room after the meeting, he was met with a sea of pink, including a pink kilt hand made for Ed Monahan just for the occasion.

There was an inside poker run (too hot and too stormy), great food from the kitchen and lots of good cheer. The band got 'em out on the floor dancing, and the jello shots and other refreshments got the crowd going till the wee hours.

Many riders enjoyed a huge, delicious breakfast at the Lodge on Sunday morning before departing. Kudos to Gina Perrin, Lake Wales Moose Riders and the Lake Wales Lodge for a wonderful weekend.

—Editor



Lake Wales never saw so much pink!

—4th Annual Motorcycle Day at Moosehaven

“Bad to the Bone” Biker Mama Takes the Prize



One Bad to the Bone Mama takes the prize at 92

The sun was shining brightly on Saturday September 18th along the shores of the St. John's river as the roar of exhaust pipes filled the air. Riders from MOTOR 39 started filing into Moosehaven to help celebrate the 4th Annual Motorcycle Day on the campus. Not long after, riders from other groups rode in for the fun. Soon residents in “biker gear” and trikes decorated with

all kinds of things appeared at the Michigan Building in anticipation of the “Ride”. There were plenty of photo ops and it didn't take long for riders and residents to pair up for the promenade around the campus. Residents were helped onto bikes and soon took off towards the Life Care Center. Even Tommy Moose showed up for this one, pedaling his bike right along with everyone else. After a nice leisurely ride, everyone adjourned to the Michigan building for a picnic lunch of burgers, chips, slaw and beans. A DJ was on hand to spin some oldies and everyone enjoyed escaping the rising temperature outside.

Of course there was a contest: Best biker-attired resident went to Lois Hammer; best biker-attired resident couple was won by the Schmidts; and best biker-decorated trike went to our own Lifetime Honorary Moose Rider, Verna Wilson. Verna's scooter was decorated to look like a bike (see cover photos) and her boom box was blaring “Bad to the Bone”. Her sign on the back is a take-off on the “If you can read



Riders and residents pose for photo op following the campus ride.

this, the B&#h fell off” t-shirts we've all seen.

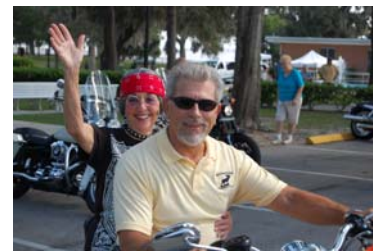
There were raffles for the residents and even a raffle for non-residents riding motorcycles, won by MOTOR 39's Dave Walters. There were some shirt giveaways thanks to our Rider friends in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who sent down a dozen shirts from their big poker run. It was great to see so many of the residents wearing the shirts that Moose Riders donated last year. All in all, everyone had a good time and we look forward to an even bigger crowd next year!

—Editor



Verna Wilson and John Capes discuss the proper riding etiquette.

Motorcycle Day 2010



Best Biker-dressed Single winner Lois Hammer on the back of John Capes's bike (left). Best Biker-dressed couple, the Schmidts, pose with Moose Riders (below)



EckerpediA —because what we don't know might hurt us.



Chris Ecker, Assistant Director Membership, Moose International, has been involved with Moose Riders for quite a while and, for the past few years, has organized the annual "Blessing of the Bikes" at Mooseheart. He has been the go-to person for Florida Moose Riders and riders in other states, and has provided guidance to your State Moose Rider officers. Chris has offered to be a contributor to "Pipes". If you have any questions regarding Moose Riders you can send us an email at fbmanews@yahoo.com and we'll forward your questions to him.



Check out the Moose International website below for official Moose Rider Guidelines and Other resources.

<http://www.mooseintl.org/portal/Membership/default.asp>

To: Chris Ecker

Hello from Folsom, CA Moose Riders

I have a question. Does Moose Rider membership come with annual dues to join?

Thank you for your time.

Fraternally yours,
Folsom, CA Lodge #2009
Moose Rider President
Chris Keil.

Chris:

If you're asking if annual Moose Rider "dues" are mandatory, the short answer is "No." The long answer follows...

Because the Moose Riders are activity groups of a host Moose Lodge, and not a separate club/corporation like a chartered Lodge or Chapter, there aren't any Moose International regulated "dues" to speak of, but rather it is *suggested* that an annual activity participation fee—as established by the group's participants—be used toward funding the group's activities for the year. The group can decide not to establish a participation fee if it so chooses, by majority vote.

Typical Moose Rider expenses may include funding Moose Rider group "support" t-shirts, which would then be sold to participants and Lodge members to raise additional operating capital, expenses for the operation of the group, including office supplies, printing, mailing, or website maintenance, the funding of charitable events, or supplies for general Lodge fundraisers.

The group is entitled to maintain a "petty cash" operating bank of *not more* than \$500.00—at the approval of the Moose Rider group officers and the Lodge Board of Directors. Any additional funds raised by the Moose Rider group are to be deposited into the Lodge General Fund, and that deposit is to be acknowledged by written receipt, by the

Lodge Administrator. The Moose Rider group Treasurer should keep a ledger, and the Administrator and the Moose Rider group Chairman should initial each deposit to the General Fund.

Moose Rider generated funds are to be earmarked for use at the Moose Rider group's approval, but the funds are eventually to be used for either group operation, donation to the betterment of the Lodge building, donation to Mooseheart or Moosehaven, or donation to an agreed upon, bona fide charity or community project.¹

Chris Ecker
Assistant Director Membership
Moose International

¹ Florida Moose Riders are reminded that our State MR charities include Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches in addition to our Mooseheart Laptop Fund and selected Moosehaven projects.

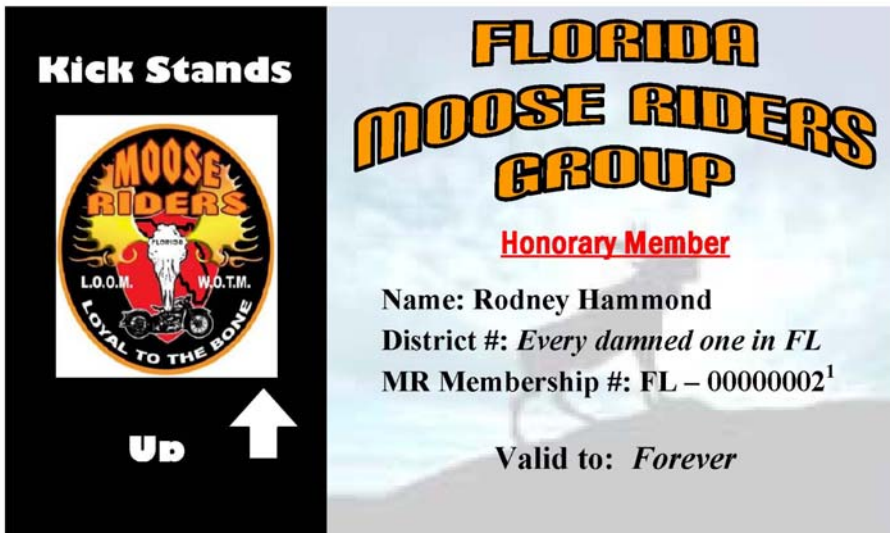
Hello ...

Are You Out There??

Does your Moose Association have a Moose Rider State Chairman? Does your Lodge have a Moose Rider activity group? If so, please contact Chris Ecker at Moose International via email at cecker@mooseintl.org. According to available records, there are now over 200 Moose Rider Lodges known...which is over 10% of all Moose Lodges. Please make sure Moose International recognizes your Lodge and State Moose Riders!"

Moose Riders Say Goodbye to a Friend

Retirement Fete for Hammond Draws Moose Dignitaries



*Thank you for your support. We wish you well in your retirement. Kick stands up!
— Florida Moose Riders —*

¹You would have been Number 1, but Verna Wilson beat you to it!

The Moose Riders gift to Hammond was a framed 8x10 lifetime membership card and a small Moose Riders patch. Rodney would have been number 1, but Verna Wilson of Moosehaven beat him to that honor 2 years ago.

The weekend of August 13th was a good news, sad news kind of thing. It marked the official farewell to Regional Director Rodney Hammond, who was retiring from his position with Moose International—a good thing for Rodney. Aside from State Moose matters, Rodney was a huge supporter of Moose Riders, so his departure was a sad thing. He attended one of our first general sessions in Haines City in the summer of 2008, and experienced first hand the enthusiasm and commitment of our band of motorcycle riding Moose.

The Kissimmee Lodge orchestrated an entire weekend of celebrating in honor of Mr. Hammond. A few guests arrived Friday night, including Moose International Director of Membership, Shawn Baile. On Saturday afternoon full regalia was rolled out and the sea of gold coats was blinding. State officials, including Steve DelCorso, Chuck Myer and Steve Smith were on hand as well as members of LOOM and WOTM at every level of service.

After lunch, folks gathered for the official ceremony. One by one, friends, colleagues and family stepped up to “roast” the guest of honor. Everyone was surprised when Bill Airey appeared to add his comments. Highlights of the day also included a roast by Florida Deputy Grand Regent, Madeline Skiba, a presentation of a one of a kind, hand-crafted clock from District 14, and amusing and heartfelt words from his family.



Rodney Hammond and Sons

Moose Rider representatives Joan Fedora and Charlie Titheridge were on hand to drop off an 8x10 framed Honorary Lifetime Membership card and a Moose Rider patch in recognition of Rodney’s continued support. We will miss him, but wish him well in all future endeavors. Thanks, Rodney.

—Editor

—Team Building for Florida Youth

Sheriffs Boys Ranch Racers Takin' it to the Streets



Last week the boys at the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch in Live Oak, Florida took to the streets in what is to become a Bi-annual event. This event pitted daring drivers and crews against each other in

head-to-head competition. Cottages raced against each other, and the clock, for a chance to hold on to the coveted trophies for Downhill, The Tour La Ranch and Best in Show. This event, a long running tradition, saw the teams racing for glory... in their Soap Box Racers.

Soap Box racing has been going on at the Ranch for some time. Now, the races will be held biannually. The winning cottages keep their trophy (or trophies) for 6 months - before having to take to the course again and prove their racing, craftsmanship and teamwork abilities. The boys compete for first place trophies, and second and third place medals, in three categories: Downhill, the Tour La Ranch and Best in Show.

The Downhill race begins at the top of the hill on Bud Smith Place in front of the gymnasium. The downhill teams are made up of a driver and two pushers. The cars race two at a time. At the start the pushers are allowed to "give it all they've got" to begin the drivers on their downhill ride. At a designated point, the pushers must let go and let the driver maneuver their racer to the finish line. This year's winner of the downhill race... Conn Cottage.

The next race is the Tour La Ranch. The Tour is set up as a relay race. The driver is pushed by a two man team of runners who then switch with another pair of runners at a designated point. This exchange takes place twice, so there are six runners per team. This year the Tour was run around Bud Smith Place, the road that surrounds the

Boys Ranch cottages. This year's Tour La Ranch winner... Conn Cottage.

The Best in Show trophy is awarded to the Cottage with the best designed Soap Box Racer. The Ranchers work with Bob DeSantis, the Boys Ranch Vocational Exploration Instructor to build the cars. Each cottage builds their racer as they like, but all racers must meet some required specifications, such as using the same diameter wheels and axles. Each racer is unique, which makes the Best in Show category fun and interesting. This year's winner, in a three category sweep, was Conn Cottage.

The Soap Box Derbies aren't just a time for play. Building and racing the cars requires boys in each cottage to work as a team and reach a common goal. Planning is needed to execute each car's construction, precision power tools are used to shape the raw materials into a custom racer and teamwork is required to maneuver the course. **You can see video footage** of this year's Downhill and Tour La Ranch Soap Box Derby on our Facebook page. Just go to www.facebook.com and search for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. This is a great way to see the highlights of the race and find out what's happening on the Ranches around the state.

The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc. is nationally accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children, Inc. and the American Camp Association. For more information on how you can help, please contact Frank Kenny, Donor Relations Officer at 1-800-765-3797 or visit us at www.youthranches.org.

Contact: Jim Karantinos, jkarantinos@youthranches.org, Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Office of the President, 386-842-5501



IN MEMORIAM

A Young Rancher Lost in Service in Afghanistan



From: Evans, Alison
Sent: Tuesday, August 24, 2010 10:30 AM
To: Everyone
Subject: Fallen Marine was Sheriffs Youth Ranch Alumnus

It is with a heavy heart that the Youth Ranches family mourns the loss of Youth Ranch Alumnus and United States Marine Lance Corporal Nathaniel "Nate" Joseph Schultz, age 19, who was killed in Afghanistan over the weekend. Lance Cpl. Schultz was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Nate was a resident and honor student at our Safety Harbor campus for nearly two years and graduated from our program at the same time he graduated from Countryside High School in 2009. After graduation, he fulfilled his dream of joining the Marine Corps. Nate was an honorable and goal-oriented young man who received the leadership award on campus, along with several other awards. He was featured in THE RANCHER magazine which specifically highlighted his desire to serve our great country. In that interview, Nate stated "Everybody here helps you...They know who you are and see what you can become. They help you make better decisions about how to act which has helped me a lot."

Over the 53 years since the founding of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, we have seen hundreds of our graduates serve their country in the armed forces. Currently, we have graduates proudly representing us in all branches of the military.

Nate stopped by the Safety Harbor campus three weeks ago just before he was deployed to Afghanistan. He was able to visit with and reconnect with many of the staff and residents and share with them some of his experiences as a Marine.

Although all of us who knew Nate are saddened by the news of his death, we also know he was following his dream and was so very proud of being a Marine. To his Youth Ranches friends, Nate epitomized the Marine Corps motto "Semper Fidelis – Always Faithful."

Please remember Nate's immediate family, including his mother Lisa, and his extended Youth Ranch family in your thoughts and prayers.

As a tribute to Nate, all flags on Youth Ranches property should be lowered to half staff until he is laid to rest.

Services are yet to be announced but we have already received word from Sheriff David Gee that the Hillsborough County Sheriffs Office will be escorting the body from Mac Dill under the leadership of Col. Jim Previtera.

[Email courtesy of Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches]

"READY TO SERVE"

At 17, Nate is a high school senior with a very determined focus on his future. He has a tremendous drive to succeed and is working toward one major goal...becoming a United States Marine!

Initially, Nate thought about joining another branch of the armed forces but he has quite a stubborn streak and really likes to push himself to the limits. When he heard the Marine Corps wanted to "test the best"...Nate signed up for the challenge!

His goal is to become cryptological linguist. He has already prepared for the test to qualify for this track within the Marine Corps. His grades are excellent and he made the honor roll nearly every nine weeks last year.

Nate attends Physical Training twice a week and adds several other personal workouts to his routine so he doesn't lose an edge. Additionally, he holds down a part time job at a local grocery store to earn a little extra spending money.

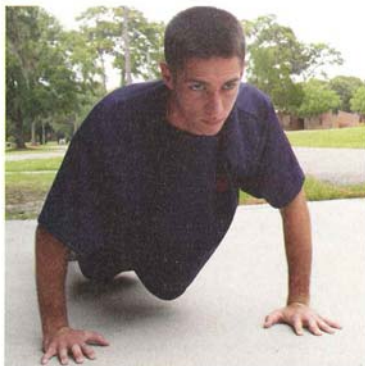
"The two best things about the Youth Ranch," said Nate with a smile, "it keeps people on the right track and there is always plenty of food."

This is quite a change from the boy who came to live with us over a year ago. Before coming to the Ranch, Nate was hanging out with the wrong crowd and making some poor choices. He was bright and intelligent but used these talents to find trouble.

"Everybody here helps you...they know who you are and can see what you can become. They help you make better decisions about how to act which has helped me a lot."

Nate is a mature, responsible, reliable young man who is preparing himself to be a leader. He takes his future seriously and will serve our county with pride and dignity!

"Everybody here helps you...they know who you are and can see what you can become."



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Feature article on Nate from the Fall 2008 *Rancher* magazine.

District News

MOTOR 39 It's been a very hot summer in northeast Florida, not the best weather for riding. MOTOR 39 has done a few rides, but like a lot of other groups, took to water in place of bikes. At least we have nice tans.

We continued to meet regularly, but our rides were pretty short. We held a meeting at the Middleburg Lodge and signed up a few new members there. 7 of us made the trip to Lake Wales for the Board Meeting in July, plus 2 new Macclenny members (from St. Cloud) who joined us as well. It was a fun-filled weekend with some surprises.

In September we had a ride honoring one of our own charter members who was stricken by cancer and has been battling the disease this past year. We arranged for a trike so that he could make the short ride, and in tribute some of us were sporting apparel for his favorite team, the NY Giants. Nearly 40 people and some 30 odd bikes participated in a short run to a local watering hole. Following the ride, riders enjoyed a light buffet and camaraderie at the Mandarin Lodge.

Also in September was our District Officers nominations meeting. We will hold our elections at our meeting in October. Our Biker Ball is scheduled for October 9 and, if anything like last year, should be one heck of a good time. We're still holding Manny (our Moose from Lake Wales) hostage, and will be looking out for any LW riders who show up to bring him home.

Of course, what's September without Motorcycle Day at Moosehaven. We started the day with our meeting where we presented



Riders at Moosehaven on Motorcycle Day.



MOTOR 39 honored charter member Teddy Cavoore

the slate of nominees for our October election. Then we joined the residents for a parade of bikes, again offering rides this year to any resident. Following a grand route around the campus, everyone retired to the Michigan Building to feast on burgers, chips, slaw and beans. Moosehaven even had a raffle for non-residents who rode bikes. MOTOR 39 Vice Chairman Dave Walters was the lucky winner.

We will be holding our election of officers in October and we'd like to credit Jeni Hall with taking over our website and adding in some new items. Good job. She also organized and ordered MOTOR 39 decals, now available to our riders.

JAX Beach Lodge held a Bike night in September, featuring food, music and fun as always. We also had a bunch of bikes rider down for the Fall Rally.

In the end, I think we're all ready to cool down a bit and hit the open road. We look forward to doing some good riding and good fundraising during the upcoming months.

—Joan Fedora

District News

Merritt Island

MI Moose Riders celebrated their 1st anniversary on August 14th with a ride over to St. Cloud for breakfast at The Other Place. We are planning on attending the October 2nd Bikers for Breast "Ride for the girls" It's to support breast cancer awareness.

We did a Build-A-Burger on August 28th and again on Sept 6th. It's a great way to raise funds for your group. We raised over \$1,000 our first year and we able to donate \$500 to Mooseheart & Moosehaven and \$50 was donated to MS for support of another Moose Riders daughter. We are very proud of what we did and are looking forward to continue our good works and get our name out to the community. Thanks.

—Doris Miller Secretary/Treasurer Merritt Island Moose Riders

4 Hello everyone. There's not a lot going on down here since last report. We are having a poker run for little boy with a heart condition who has no insurance and whose father is currently unemployed. We wanted to try to help out the family with this run, which was on the 25th of September. Sorry I had to miss it, but I was at the State Rally and the Board meeting ("meeting of the minds") and general meeting in Avon Park that weekend.

We're happy to announce that District 4 will be joining with District 2 to host the Fall 2011 Moose Riders Rally at the Homestead Lodge. We've already started planning for it, including a ride down the keys to Islamorada and Largo Moose Lodges.



Breast Cancer Awareness Ride



Build-a-burger—served up by Agnes.

District 4 is also in the process of getting each Lodge involved separately, instead of 10 people trying to do everything. With luck, this will give the District stronger support on the Lodge level.

We've missed everyone one and we had a great time at the rally catching up with everyone, and want to thank Avon Park..

Kickstands up and ride safe.
—Gary Mundorf, President, District 4



District News

20 Another year has flown by and District 20 Moose Riders is bigger and better than ever. Our elections resulted in another great board for 2010-2011. Congrats goes out to Gary Cassen, Chairperson; Ed Monahan, Vice Chairperson; George Aubin, Secretary; David Schwartz, Treasurer; Jerry Raeder, Sergeant-At-Arms; and Donnie Beasley, Road Captain. Your fellow Moose Riders thank you for stepping up to the plate to accept these positions for our new year.

To celebrate a great year, October 16th, the 2009-2010 Board will be having a year-end Poker Run. A day of just riding and enjoying local establishments is planned. The monies will support our District 20 laptop donation in May. I had the opportunity to deliver ten laptops donated in May to District 20 Moose Riders by Lockheed Martin. Thank you to William Hackedy, Auburndale Moose Rider, for making dreams come true for some very special girls at the Florida Sheriffs Youth Villa.

Auburndale Moose Riders News



Auburndale Moose Riders

Our newest Moose Rider group in Auburndale has grown to 31 members. They jumped on the band wagon raising funds for local charities. They had a very successful first steak night, selling 69 steak dinners. On November 13th, their first annual poker run for Good Sheppard Hospice Auburndale Chapter will leave at noon and end at the Auburndale Lodge. 8 to 10 stops will be available for riders to visit; the choice of four is the rider's. Auburndale Moose Riders invites you to join them for the day. Contact Teresa@tereadurbin.com.



Lake Wales riders delivering schools supplies.

Haines City Moose Riders News

Haines City has been swinging golf clubs, cooling off with pool parties, and catching dinner at their fishing tournaments to support their local charities and Lodge. They are planning to ride to Cedar Key on October 1st. Congrats to the Haines City Moose Riders holding a membership of 127.

We make many friends and acquaintances in this organization and it is always sad to lose a member. Haines City would like you to keep the family of Daniel Sobeski in your prayers. He always supported the Riders and was a true Moose member.

Lake Wales Moose Riders News

Lake Wales thanks everyone that attended the Fall State Board meeting. All the work and effort put forward was worth it. Lasting friendships and great memories were made. We spent the summer collecting school supplies for Polk Avenue Elementary. It was another successful year bringing smiles to children's faces. The rest of the summer was spent supporting their Lodge, aiding fellow Moose Riders and Lodge members.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the District 20 Moose Riders for your support throughout the year. It has been a wonderful opportunity for me to watch us grow into one of Florida's largest District Moose Riders group. Our achievements and goals could have not become a reality without every one of you. I will always be proud to say, "I am a District 20 Moose Rider."

As always, ***thank you District 20 Moose Riders.***

— Regina "Gina" Perrin Chairperson, District 20 Moose Riders

District News

23 The Highlands County Moose riders of District 23, in conjunction with the Main Street Tap Room, sold BBQ chicken dinners to raise money for the Humane Society of Highlands County on July 17th. On August 1st Gary Dunford and Bud Thompson (owner of the Tap Room) donated a check for \$300 to Michelle from the Humane society.

Working with the Main Street Tap Room the Highlands County Moose Riders are supporting a Main Street Bike night in Downtown Avon Park. All proceeds raised will be donated to the Humane Society. The first Main Street Bike Night will be November 12th.

On July 31st, District 23 had a "Rally Support" poker run. We visited 10 of our Rally sponsors, then came back to the Lodge for a dinner prepared by the Moose Riders of Highlands County. On the same day, from 11 until 3:00 PM, District 23 gave away hamburgers and hot dogs with soft drinks in the parking lot of Advanced Auto Parts in Avon Park. They were our biggest sponsor for the Fall Rally. We had a bike show judged by the employees. The prizes were donated by Advanced Auto. Bill Ethridge of Sebring Moose donated his time and set up his DJ equipment.



Gary Dunford and Bud Thompson (Tap Room owner) deliver a check for \$300 to Michelle from the Humane society

On November 12th at the Main Street Tap Room we are having another fundraiser outside. We went before the city board and plan on having more outdoor off Moose property fundraisers. In January we are helping Bella Vista in Sebring with their first bike night. The Moose Riders are becoming well known in our city and well liked!—*Gary Dunford*



District 23 Riders at Shooters.



Barbecue at Tap Room for Humane Society

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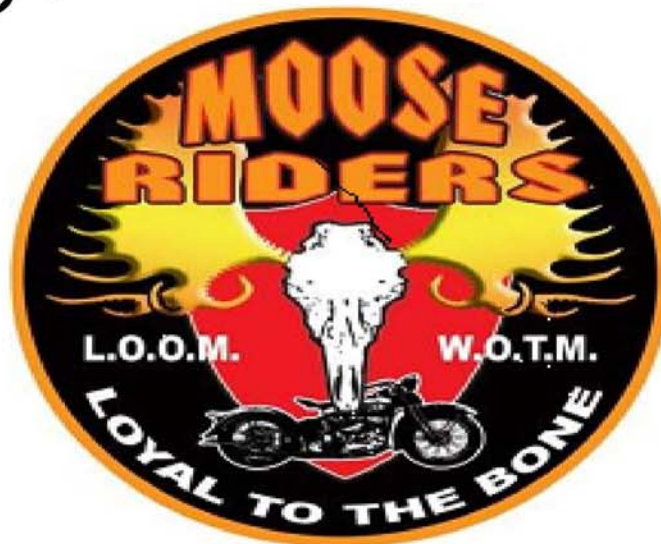
(Laptop Investment For Education)

Attention all Moose Riders

The 2010 -2011 LIFE Campaign has begun.
We are seeking donations for the Mooseheart's Class
of 2011 Laptop/Printer Fund.

Please help us further the education of our kids, by
pledging \$500 for a laptop & printer for each
graduating Senior of Mooseheart's Class of 2011.

Live to Ride, Ride to Give



Moose Riders, Show Your Support for LIFE

Contact: Liza Chamberlain (nohat79@yahoo.com)
Joan Fedora (fbmanews@yahoo.com) - Phyllis Johnson (pjt5902@aol.com)
or Dave McPhail (dmcphail@earthlink.net) to make a pledge.

—Moose Riders Launch a New Campaign—be a part of it!

LIFE—Laptop Investment For Education



Class of 2008



Class of 2009



Class of 2010



Class of 2013 & 2016

In 2008 several cold, wet and exhausted Moose Riders pulled in to Batavia, IL, after riding over 1100 miles through pounding rain and severely limited visibility from their starting point at Moosehaven. It was labeled the “Bull Moose” ride and historic in that it began at the City of Contentment and finished at Mooseheart Child City and School. The tired Florida riders enjoyed a day at Mooseheart for the Blessing of the bikes then got wind that the graduating seniors were going to be at the St. Charles Lodge. Little did these riders know what this piece of news would lead to.

After arriving at St. Charles, they settled in the social quarters just in time to witness the essay contest, a tradition begun by St. Charles Moose Riders in 2008. All the seniors were asked to write an essay related to their experience at Mooseheart. The 3 winners were to receive their very own laptop computer.

One by one the winners were asked to step forward and read their essays. With each reading, more and more eyes in the audience began to well up with tears. By the end of it, the Florida riders finally understood what Mooseheart is all about.

Right then the riders made the decision that each and every senior had a story and that they all deserved some kind of recognition for their courage and achievements. The idea took seed, and by April of the following year, Florida riders had raised enough money to purchase the additional computers needed to ensure **all seniors** would leave Mooseheart prepared for the challenge of a higher education. After the St. Charles Riders presented laptops to the winners of the 2009 essay contest, two Florida Moose Riders got to experience the pure joy of presenting the additional computers to 14 other students in the graduating class. The students had no idea they would be receiving them. And for the “cherry on top”, South Carolina riders provided combination print-

ers/scanners/faxes to all of the graduating students. It was an emotional and heart-warming day.

In 2010 that seed spouted, the word got out and riders from Dorr, MI, and Carpentersville, IL, joined the campaign to make sure all graduates again would get laptops. Essay winners not only got laptops but generous gift cards to help with their college needs. And when we found out in March that South Carolina couldn't provide the printers again, we reached out to other states. In less than 6 weeks, riders from

Texas, Arizona, New York, Michigan, Illinois, North Hillsboro, Florida, and Ohio raised the necessary funds to purchase the 24 needed printers.

For 2011 and going forward we want this seedling to branch out and explode into full bloom. We want this project to be a National Moose Riders effort.

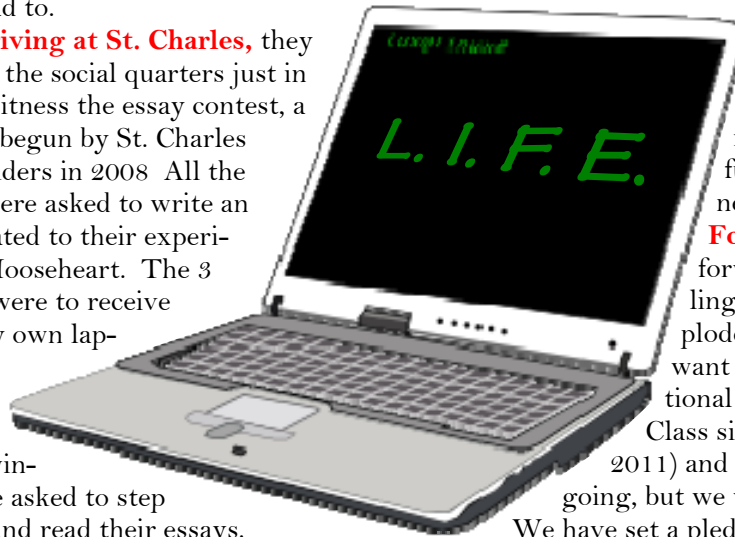
Class sizes are growing (27 for 2011) and we want to keep this going, but we will need your help.

We have set a pledge goal for Moose Rider groups of \$500, but really anything will help. Liza Chamberlain (St. Charles), Joan Fedora (Florida), Phyllis Johnson (MI) and Dave McPhail (TX) are heading up this campaign and will be reaching out to Moose Riders all over the country.

Let's see what you can do in 6 months. \$500 pledges are what we hope for. Mid March is our deadline. 5 months, that's \$100 a month per pledge. If you are interested in making a pledge, you can contact any one of us, or email Pipes at fbmanews@yahoo.com. Let's truly make this a national Moose Riders event. Presentation will be on Sunday after the Blessing of the Bikes.

Help our tree to grow. Make a pledge to **Laptop Investment For Education** and give these kids a Moose Riders' kick start in LIFE.

—Liza, Joan, Phyllis & Dave





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Mooseheart Class of 2011



Sidney

We need your help with the Laptop/Printer Fund
Make a Pledge for L.I.F.E.*

*Laptop Investment For Education

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—Moose Riders on the move

Texas Moose Riders Tame the Dragon

Moose Riders C2 out of Copperas Cove, TX, has been having some fun. In the month of August some of us went to ride the Tail of the Dragon for the first time. Man it was AWESOME!!!! We were only there for 2 days of riding but had a blast and rode over 500 miles in the mountains. If you've never been, I HIGHLY recommend it. The best place to stay is the Iron Horse Motorcycle Lodge near Robbinsville, NC.



75 lbs. of aluminum pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

Someone in your party has to have a motorcycle so it truly is a Motorcycle lodge. At 8:30 PM they light a bonfire and everyone sits around with a few drinks and tells stories of the days rides. No strangers there.

Moose Riders C2 turned in can tabs for charity this month to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. Words can't define the number we had (75 lbs). Just look at the picture. Yes that's a lot of beer!!!



C2 Riders at Deal's Gap/Tail of the Dragon

Moose Rider C2 joined United Clubs of Waco this last quarter. In doing such, Brotherhood of Bikers attended our last meeting and presented us with a hand made wooden gavel to help in conducting business. Thanks go out to the Brotherhood of Bikers.

—Dave McPhail, C2 Moose Riders



B.O.B. Rep. presents gavel to C2 Riders



Awesome Lodge near Robbinsville, NC



—Poker run results in shopping day

Oklahoma Riders Dress Kids for Success



Duncan Moose Riders



Just a few of the 12 kids Moose Riders took shopping for school clothes and supplies

Duncan Moose Riders 2202 went shopping in August. We took 15 kids shopping for back to school clothes and gave them school supplies to get them started. We also furnished school supplies for 5 third grade classes. This was done and made possible from the proceeds from our Poker Run back in June.

We are working on a couple more things as we speak and have committed to give \$50 to help buy laptops for our seniors at Mooseheart. [Thank you Duncan Riders—Editor]

Duncan Moose Riders 2202 was formed 5 years ago. We have held 4 poker runs to raise money to donate to local kids' charities and the kids at Mooseheart. In 4 years we have donated approximately \$25,000.

We have about 40 members that ride, with only 10-15 that take part all the time. We make 2-3 dinner runs a month, if the roads are not bad.

In December we have our annual Christmas Party to let everyone wear their best leather and play "dirty biker". We also have a fun ride held the 1st day of January each



Someone has to pay the bill. Thanks, Rick.

year called "The Colder Than Chit Polar Moose Ride." Each person receives a current year rocker to add to their patch.

In Oklahoma sometimes it is nice and other times it is really cold. Whatever the weather, we always welcome any Moose Riders traveling through to stop in. We will buy the first one.

—Rick King, Past President

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—Riders contribute to new van for Mooseheart Iowa House

Poker Run Benefits Mooseheart and Local High School



—Cedar Rapids, IA

This year's 3rd annual

Poker run was another huge success. Over 140 bikes participated, and over 230 people attended our event, which included, naturally, a 100 mile poker run through some very scenic highways of rural east central Iowa with 3 stops, raffle drawings (giving away 2 large plasma TVs and cash), an auction, live music, and lots of great food.

Knowing now what we are doing for the community and for kids across the country, the local police, and Sherriff's department offered to direct traffic at many major intersections during the ride, to assure everyone's safety. This has quickly become one of the largest bike events in eastern Iowa and the word has spread that this is the place to be on the second Saturday of July.

With our proceeds from this year's event, we split the money between a very worthy local charity (Metro High School Student Achievement Fund) and the Mooseheart replacement van fund.

Metro High School is much like Mooseheart, in that they accept kids with challenges in their lives, and help them meet their additional needs, whether it is extra tutoring, mentoring, or being able to take classes with more personalized assistance. Over the years Metro High has allowed thousands of young people to earn their diplomas and many have gone on to achieve great success stories in life. Many otherwise would have fallen through the cracks of our school system or have dropped out of school and never been allowed to further their education. Metro's Student Achievement Fund, provides an ongoing financial incentive to Metro graduates following their completion of each successful term in college or technical school. They are rewarded for their hard work with a small quarterly check to help them pay tuition or expenses.

Mooseheart Iowa House had an ancient van that was barely able to run and needed to be replaced. This van was used to



Riders present check to George McCullough, Supreme Governor.

transport the kids there. Thanks to our Moose Rider Poker run contribution, they are now able to pay for a replacement van. We have also held back a small portion of our proceeds to purchase the Iowa Kids gift cards this upcoming holiday season.

This year was coincidentally the 100th anniversary of the Cedar Rapids Moose Lodge. To help celebrate our anniversary we received a visit from our Supreme Governor. Pictured above is our Mooseheart check presentation to Mooseheart to George McCullough, Supreme Governor.

Other Events Planned

October 9th: 3rd Annual Leaf Ride. We will start in Prairie Du Chein, Wisconsin, and take a tour of Western Wisconsin and Eastern Iowa's beautiful fall colors with overnight stay in Prairie Du Chein. November 6th: Moose Rider Dance and Party at Cedar Rapids Moose. Live music, and prizes!

—Doug Stanley, Cedar Rapids Moose Riders



Over 140 bikes participated in Annual Poker Run.

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Circleville Riders Pledge Laptop & Printer



The Ohio State Moose Riders were represented at the Women's session during the 2010 Annual Conference held in Independence, Ohio August 18th – 22. Sabrina Colburn State Lady Moose Rider Chairperson addressed the co-workers again during the Saturday session at Annual Convention stressing women's involvement with in the Moose Riders, topics of discussion were the Moose Charities, and the overall structure of the Moose Riders with men and women working together towards supporting Mooseheart and Moosehaven. The purchase of Senior's laptop and printers was discussed and the challenge is on!! We had a great time at State Convention during our sessions with Libby Schmidt and Katie Leptak. Linda Sipes introduced the "Energy Bus" and the time is now to take advantage of the membership drive and membership challenge. Moose Riders play an important role in membership retention and increased membership. The Moose Rider Herd is on the "Energy Bus".

Sabrina Colburn
Ohio Lady Moose Rider Chairman
colburnsabrina@yahoo.com



Some Circleville 2440 members at the Annual Convention in Independence, Ohio August 18th.

Which one of you guys "stole" summer?

I know it was a Moose Rider; someone out there needs to "fess" up! Where'd the summer go? Fall is upon us; school is back in session. The Circleville Moose Riders had a fun-filled summer! We had our end of summer 11th Annual Biker Bash on August 13th. The 12 acres behind our lodge were filled with campers and tents, they started pulling in on Wednesday prior. We can't help ourselves...we must boastfully report we had over 350 in attendance!!! Krank took the stage at 8 pm after a short evening poker run and everyone had a great time listening to the music and enjoying the Moose Rider atmosphere!

The next day, August 14th, canopies, tents and numerous other items were flying through the air during the afternoon of the Bash's 2nd day. Riders were caught in a downpour north of Circleville. Folks at the Lodge attempted to "batten down the hatches" as the wind and rain hit! The weather slowed things down some but the die-hard party animals didn't let the weather stifle their party FUN! The majority of the crowd moved inside the Lodge while some stayed outside around the campsites to continue enjoying the Annual Biker Bash after the rain and wind conceded!

Congratulations to Sabrina Colburn for receiving the "Moose Rider of the Year Award"! Circleville 2440 also received the "Herd of the Year" award at the Buckeye Awards presentation during the Annual Convention held in Independence Ohio on August 18th - 22. This is the first year that Moose Riders were recognized at the Buckeye Awards!!

The Circleville Moose Rider herd is the PROUD winner of the Pizza Party provided by the State Moose Riders for their generous donation for the t-shirts for the Tent Town project during the Special Olympics.

During the September 12 Moose Rider meeting Circleville discussed, and a motion was made to purchase a laptop and printer for an upcoming Moose Heart Senior for next year's graduation! The challenge is on for the laptops and printers!! [Thank you Circleville—Ed.]

Our riding season isn't over yet; we still have our Annual Covered Bridge Run on October 9th, the Hill Climbs on October 10th and our Leaf Run on October 17th!

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Circleville Moose Riders Doc's Annual Covered Bridge Run



**Lloyd "Doc" Horton
Ride On Brother!!**

October 9th, 2010

Long Scenic Ride

\$15 Single - \$20 Couple

Sign ups 9am
First Bike Out 10am
Last Bike Out 11am

Breakfast Buffet Available At Sign Up!!

***Run starts and ends at the
Circleville Moose Lodge***

2065 Stoneridge Dr
Circleville, OH 43113
More info call: 614-596-2045 or 740-420-3282

Moose Members And Qualified Guests Only

—2nd Annual Rally Features State Dignitaries

Flight 93 Memorial Service Set for 9/11/11 in Pennsylvania



Deputy Supreme Governor Michael Henry—Moose Rider in Training

The Pennsylvania Moose Riders are a dedicated group of Moose Fraternalists. We not only help take care of our children and our seniors, we also support many projects within our local communities. Many of our Rider Groups host rides and functions to support these charities. They are sometimes joined by numerous members from other Lodges.

Last year was our first annual Pennsylvania State Moose Riders Rally, which was hosted by Lewistown FC #143. It rained for most of the weekend, but Lewistown Lodge still provided a great time. This year's 2nd Annual Rally was hosted by Millerstown FC #925. Moose members from across the State, including our State President, Richard Charles, and Mike Henry, Deputy Supreme Governor, enjoyed a fantastic weekend with good food, great entertainment, and fellowship. Millerstown Lodge was an exceptional host and they extended a fine example of Pennsylvania Moose hospitality. The weather could not have been any better for the Dice Run, with 96 riders riding through some of Central Pennsylvania's most scenic roads. The 2011 Moose Riders State Rally will be hosted by Curwensville FC #268 and will be held the weekend of August 19th – 21st. We would like to see Moose members from other States attend. All Moose Members are always welcome.

The Pennsylvania Moose Riders will be busy this winter preparing for the 2011 season. We will be raising funds for renovating the guest restroom in Penn Hall at Mooseheart. We are also planning and preparing for the 10th anniversary of the "Flight 93" memorial service on September 11th, in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.



L-R: PMA Moose Riders Chairman Bud Balliet, Millerstown 925 Moose Riders President Cheryl Freet, PMA State President Richard Charles, PMA Inner Guard Matt Reik, Millerstown 925 Governor Gary Hibolt, PMA District 4 President Brian Toseki

To kick off the fundraising for these projects, we are selling tickets for a chance to win a 2011 Harley Davidson motorcycle. The winner will be drawn at the 2011 State Moose Riders Rally in Curwensville, Pa.

If you are traveling through Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Moose Riders extend an open invitation to all members to stop by and introduce yourself. Come and ride with us. We enjoy making new friends!

For more information on the Pennsylvania Moose Association and the Pennsylvania Moose Riders events, please visit our web site @ www.pamoose.org Ride Safe!

Fraternally,
Bud Balliet, PMA Moose Riders Chairman

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Pennsylvania Riders at Rally this Summer

—Great Day for a Ride

Sparta Riders Raise \$3,500 for Hospice



Presentation of Check for \$3,500 to Hospice of Michigan Pediatrics.

—G.R./Sparta Michigan MOB #50

It's been a real hot summer up here in western Michigan. Our big event for the year was our 4th Annual Bike Show and Charity Run held in June. Participation was down a little this year, but the event was still very successful. We raised a lot of money for a very worthy cause and the Sparta MOB #50 was proud to present the Hospice of Michigan Pediatrics with a check for \$3,500.

We started August off with the 2nd annual M.O.B. Picnic. Once again Jim and Marge Wahlfield let us invade their back yard for the event. Thanks again to Randy Eggers and Jim Wahlfield for cooking ribs and chicken, and Billy Dalton for providing music for the night.

A couple of members that also own their own businesses hold a North/South Run each year for Mooseheart. This year's event resulted in a donation of \$1,000 to the Gimme Five Program. A huge thanks goes out to Bill Anderson (Teazers Bar and Grill) and Dave Thomas (Kent City Lounge) for all they do to promote our events and also help in their own way. This event also lets our community know more about Mooseheart and Moosehaven. Stop into Kent City or Teazers and show support for these guys in return.

The Moose Riders will be holding an annual benefit for the Kids Burn Camp October 23, and we will be raffling a deer rifle with scope and hard case for the event. Tickets will be \$5.00 a piece and go on sale at the Lodge



Bob Beardsley (R.) State Membership Chairman accepts donation for Gimme Five

September 12th, 2010 at the MOB meeting. Music, food, and fun for all. All proceeds go to the camp.

Here are some of the events that MOB 50 members are able to participate in.

“Rev It UP” event in Mt. Pleasant to benefit Special Olympics.

Burn Survivor Car and Bike Show.

Manistee Lodge Annual Run.

The Annual MOB picnic.

Muskegon Bike Time, three day rally.

Annual North/South Run to benefit GIMME FIVE, proceeds \$1,001.

Motor escort for the kids to Burn Camp.

There is a bunch on our webpage at <http://www.moose50.org/MOB.htm>

—Dick Prefontaine & Sean Smith
Moose Riders President

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— Arizona Rider Care about Cancer Support Center

Heat Has Riders Trading in Vests for Water Wings



Newest Arizona Moose Rider

Since I last wrote for the Pipes, we were all licking our wounds from the poor showing we received for the "Moose Run for Kids". We did manage to raise \$500 for Mooseheart and that money was donated to the Mooseheart House in Arizona. We are all proud of that.

The weather here in Bullhead has been extremely hot the past two months, and bike runs take a back seat to river rafting and pool parties and sipping cold ones at the Lodge. Aside from getting together once a month for our club meeting, and the fact that nobody is riding much, we usually hold some kind of get together for the Riders. This last month we held a pool party and BBQ and the members still in town came out for the fun. (We have a lot of snowbird members.) See the pictures...The furry creature to the left is our newest member.

Cooler weather is just around the corner, and we have already started promoting our next run. The Riders will be hosting a poker run in October to raise money for the We Care Cancer Support Center here in Bullhead. This organization provides support services and outreach to cancer patients and their families in the Tri-State area. It is an all volunteer service that runs completely on donations. (See flyer upper right.)

MOOSE RIDERS
PRESENT
THE 2010 'WE CARE'
POKER RUN
OCTOBER 10, 2010
 TO BENEFIT THE 'WE CARE CANCER SUPPORT CENTER' IN BULLHEAD CITY

RAFFLE! 50/50! FOOD! LIVE MUSIC! AND MORE!
POKER HANDS \$10 OR 3 FOR \$25...PAYS BEST AND WORST!!!

SIGNUP @ BHC MOOSE LODGE 1860, 9:00 AM
 Breakfast Available - \$5. Eggs, bacon or sausage, toast, hash browns, pancakes or biscuits & gravy

LAST STOP @ THE SANDBAR, 1654 HWY.95

INFO: Joe Monfredo (928) 768-1641

There are tons of runs coming up starting the end of September and we are all anxious to get back on the bikes for some great fall weather riding. Can't make it? Come visit us on Facebook/Bullhead City Moose Riders. Until the next time. Ride Safe,

—Joe Monfredo, President
Bullhead City Moose Riders



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—News from the Tar Heel State

Kannapolis Riders Host Back to School Bash



I want to first of all send out a BIG Thank you to all those who participated in our Back to School bash for Church of God children's home held at our Lodge on August 28. It turned out to be a wonderful afternoon. We had plenty of fun for the boys and girls who came out. We played corn hole, danced to the favorites of our very own DJ Greg, and had a backyard lunch with hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings.

With all the great participation from our Lodge and businesses in the community we were able to provide our 13 kids with school supplies, book bags, clothing and gift cards. We were blessed by a \$100 donation from Goodwill, \$250 donation from our very own Moose Rider members, and another \$500 from Plato's closet. The kid's were overjoyed to be presented with \$75 in gift cards.

The event would have not been possible without all your help. For those who donated

supplies, time at the party or food for the party, we definitely can say that we appreciated it but the kids appreciated it even more. We had many of the kids come up and hug us telling us how cool the party was and much fun they had. This is the first event with this facility, and hopefully is the start of a wonderful relationship where we can provide these kids with hope and things that they may need from time to time to be prosperous members of our community.

It's wonderful to see our Lodge reach out to not only our own charities, but to members of our own community and show that EVERY person can make a difference in someone's life. Again, a big Thank You and I look forward to making the next event even bigger and better than the last!

**Lee Simmons for Kannapolis Moose Riders
North Carolina Moose Association
District 6**

Readers, each issue I try to connect with a new group of riders from around the country. It is important for all Moose Riders to be aware of what riders are doing everywhere and to use this information or these ideas as inspiration for ways to raise more money themselves. This time around I heard from a small group of riders from District 5 in the Shenandoah valley of Virginia who, although small, hope to do their part to help out. By the way, Virginia does have a Moose Riders association and, oddly enough, held a state rally the same weekend we did here in Florida.

—From the Beautiful Shenandoah Valley

WELCOME VIRGINIA MOOSE RIDERS

Hello from District 5 Moose Riders in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. We had a meeting September 19 to discuss plans for our annual picnic with games. Our number of members is fairly small right now, so for the moment we don't have much to share, but we hope that will change.

We will be having the picnic on October 9, with food, drinks, music, and games. It will be held at the Strasburg American Legion Post 77 picnic shelter area next to the Shenandoah River in Strasburg, VA. We will be working with a group of riders from the Strasburg American Legion to provide a day of fun for all from 1:00pm until???. We don't have any pictures at the moment, but we may have some from the picnic for next time.

I will share your information about the laptop/printer campaign at our meeting on October 17th. I hope to have photos and information about our events and fundraising goals for the coming year for the next issue of Pipes.

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2010 Virginia Moose Riders State Rally

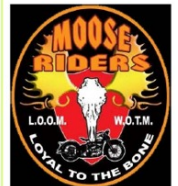
Hosted by District 1

"The man who follows a crowd will never be followed by a crowd"

Rally starts on Friday evening with registration beginning at 4pm. Music, dancing and food \$ available in the Lodge. Saturday main event day with morning breakfast \$.50/.50, poker run, local sites ride, lunch \$, bike show with trophies, horse shoe tournament, bike games, BBQ diner with live music (Stingrays Band) and dancing, event speakers and awards. Sunday morning breakfast \$...Primitive camping, showers, restrooms, and camping, (full hookups \$ available)

Everything listed is included with your paid ticket with the exception of items followed by \$.

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Early



Dates: Sept 24-26 2010
FRI 4PM—SUNDAY 12pm

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1400 N. Geo. Washington Hwy,
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Music provided by THE



Pre-registration till September 5th
Members \$ 25
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Call 757-487-1221 to pre-register

For more information contact:
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PORTSMOUTH MOOSE 898 757-487-1221



Thanks for including us and for the opportunity to share.

Kim Carrington, Secretary

—St. Charles Moose Riders help make a dream come true

Sponsored Vet Enjoys Nostalgic DC Trip



Legacy Girls perform at Midway.



Ken and son Jim LaDue pose at the WWII Memorial in Washington, DC.

After a year long wait the WWII Veteran St. Charles Moose Riders sponsored to go to the WWII Memorial in Washington D.C. finally flew to D.C. on August 24th, 2010. We were honored to have Ken LaDue and his son, Jim (whom we sponsored as his guardian), join us for breakfast to tell us about this very memorable day. Ken's day started with a ride in a stretch limo to Midway Airport at 0200 where he checked in, was served breakfast and treated to the singing of The Legacy Girls, an Andrew Sisters tribute trio, before taking off at 0635. Upon their arrival, they visited the National Air and Space Museum, then to the WWII Memorial with final stops at the Lincoln, Korean and Vietnam Memorials. The reception

back at Midway Airport at 1940 couldn't have been more spectacular he told us. He thought the entire city of Chicago had come to greet them upon arrival! While it was a very, very long day for a young man of 85, Ken said he didn't have any time to be tired. We are very happy to have been a part of this day for both Ken and Jim. If you would like to see more pictures of this trip, go to www.honorflightchicago.org, go to gallery and click on August 24, 2010.

Our 8th Annual Poker Run is scheduled for Sunday October 3rd. Bikes will leave at 10:30. Proceeds from our Poker Run will benefit the 2011 Mooseheart Laptop and Printer Fund and Wounded Warrior Project. The mission of Wounded Warrior Project is to honor and empower wounded warriors. We have a local bicycle shop here in St. Charles that is very active in the program outfitting wounded service men and women with bikes to keep them active. The average bike can cost up to \$3500, as it is specially fitted to each person. **The Mooseheart class of 2011 is 27 students** and we estimate the cost of a laptop and a printer to be about \$500. If you would like to help on this project, please contact Liza Chamberlain at nohat79@yahoo.com, all donations will be accepted.

—Liza Chamberlain, St. Charles



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—Palmyra Riders Preparing to Park the Bikes for the Winter

NY Riders Annual Poker Run Raises over \$4,500



Palmyra Moose Riders courtesy of the Palmyra Moose Riders Site.

When we last wrote, we were preparing for our Annual Poker Run in Memory of our Fallen Brothers and Sisters. We are excited to report over 220 bikes braved a forecast of rain to help raise over \$4500.00. Make A Wish of Western NY, Wease Cares for Kids, NYSMA Scholarship Fund and our own local Moose children's programs benefited from our largest event to-date. Everyone had a great time and is already looking forward to next year's event (which will once again be "bigger and better").

The Red Cross of Wayne County asked us to "host and promote" a run to raise money on their behalf. We were happy to accept that honor and hosted our second major event of the season (Palmyra Moose Riders Ride for the Red). The weather was in our favor and we had over 250 participants. 142 bikes toured Wayne County and returned to the Lodge for great food, games, raffles and music. We don't have the final tally yet, but the Red Cross has already signed us up for next year!!

We also participated in several charity runs, raising money for the Blue Star Moth-

ers, an individual with Lou Gehrig's disease, Missing and Exploited Children, several veterans organizations and breast cancer fundraisers. With so many members, we try to attend as many events as we can, even with conflicting dates. We are proud to be able to support so many fine organizations and help promote the Moose charitable spirit.

In upstate NY, our riding season will be ending soon. We have a couple more runs to attend, a group camping event and our "End of Season" party, but our charitable spirit will still be in place. We will be hosting a pasta dinner to benefit a Lodge member who had major surgery (and no insurance). We are also looking forward to our Lodge Halloween Party – ever hear of "biker" pirates??

Check out our website at:
www.palmyramoosriders1420.com.

There's always something going on in Palmyra.

*Submitted by Mailman and Darla
 Palmyra, NY, Moose Riders*

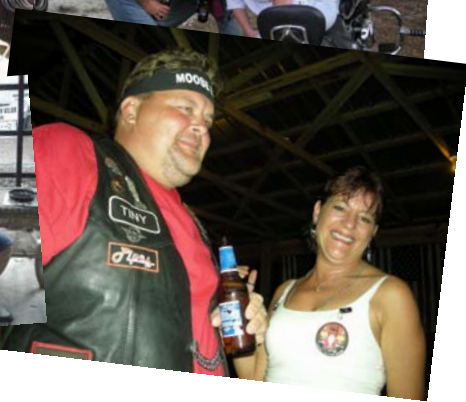
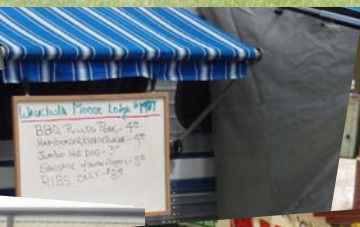
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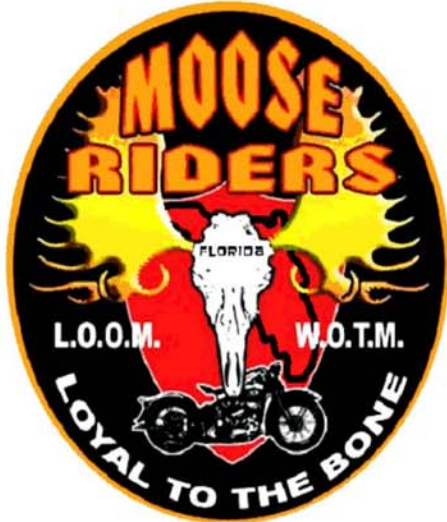


Florida Moose Riders—Mark your Calendars! The Great Getaway

All the Fun with none of the Stress. If you were at the Fall Rally (see photos below), you know how much fun we can have as a group. Join us in Cocoa Beach in March for a stress-free, getaway weekend on the Sunny Space Coast.

See page 29 for details.





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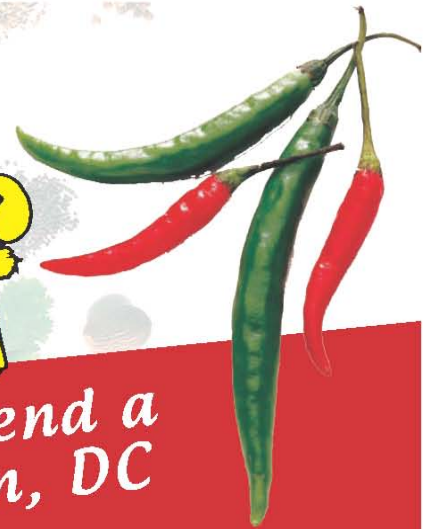
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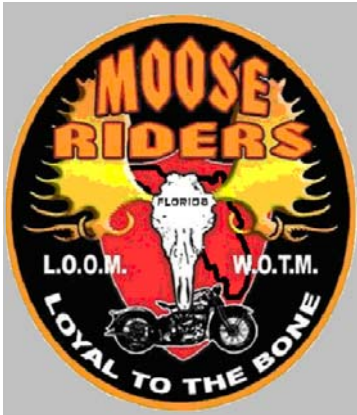
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Message from Florida's Moose Riders Chairman—

The Season of “Yes We Can”



Hello All. It is great to see everyone getting ready for the football season. Things are really getting pumped up and people are looking forward to an exciting gridiron season. Everyone wants to see their team in the Superbowl. So this made me think, **MAN WE NEED TO GET PUMPED FOR MOOSERIDERS.** We need to have an exciting “superbowl season”. And I know we can. **We need to pull together** for a big drive for the rest of 2010 and a great start for 2011. I know everyone is very busy, as am I. My kids are back to school and my son started football practice 3 days a week, with games on Saturdays, not to mention the “fame time” for the wife. Trust me I understand. **But let’s all remember** Mooseheart and Moosehaven and the kids at the Florida Sheriff Youth Ranches need us more right

—by [Tonya Bennett](#)

I saw you. I saw you, hug your purse closer to you in the grocery store line. But, you didn't see me put an extra \$10.00 in the collection plate last Sunday.
 I saw you, pull your child closer when we passed each other on the sidewalk.
 But, you didn't see me playing Santa at the local mall.
 I saw you change your mind about going into the restaurant.
 But, you didn't see me attending a meeting to raise more money for the hurricane relief.
 I saw you roll up your window and shake your head when I drove by. But, you didn't see me driving behind you when you flicked your cigarette butt out the car window.
 I saw you frown at me when I smiled at your children.
 But, you didn't see me when I took time off from work to run toys to the homeless.
 I saw you stare at my long hair.
 But, you didn't see me and my friends cut ten inches off for Locks of Love.
 I saw you roll your eyes at our leather coats and gloves. But, you didn't see me and my brothers donate our old coats and gloves to those that had none.
 I saw you look in fright at my tattoos. But, you didn't see me cry as my children were born and have their name written over and in my heart.
 I saw you change lanes while rushing off to go somewhere.
 But, you didn't see me going home to be with my family.
 I saw you complain about how loud and noisy our bikes can be.
 But, you didn't see me when you were changing the CD and drifted into my lane.
 I saw you yelling at your kids in the car.
 But, you didn't see me pat my child's hands knowing he was safe behind me.
 I saw you reading the newspaper or map as you drove down the road.
 But, you didn't see me squeeze my wife's leg when she told me to take the next turn.
 I saw you race down the road in the rain.
 But, you didn't see me get soaked to the skin so my son could have the car to go on his date.
 I saw you run the yellow light just to save a few minutes of time.
 But, you didn't see me trying to turn right.
 I saw you cut me off because you needed to be in the lane I was in.
 But, you didn't see me leave the road.
 I saw you waiting impatiently for my friends to pass. But, you didn't see me. I wasn't there.
 I saw you go home to your family. But you didn't see me.
 Because, I died that day you cut me off.
 I was just a biker. A person with friends and a family. But, you didn't see me.
Look again. Motorcycles are everywhere.

now than they ever have. Cutbacks are everywhere and we sure don't want to have our Mooseheart kids or Moosehaven seniors do without. Even the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches have had to cut back and shut down facilities. We can't let this happen.

No one says it will be easy—if it was everyone would be doing it. We all have to make sacrifices these days that affect our families directly. Just imagine if *you or your family* didn't have anyone who made sacrifices for them. That's pretty much the story for the kids at Mooseheart and at the Ranches and even for some of our seniors at Moosehaven. What's one more little sacrifice after all, if it can help out our charities, even just a little? Besides, this is a great way to involve your family and maybe show your kids what "giving" is all about.

I am still proud to say I am a Moose Rider I know we are a great group. And it's time for us to shine as a group again. So let's all say **“YES WE CAN AND YES WE WILL.”** We really need some new big ideas for things to do this year. Big ideas to raise the money we know we can raise. I want us all to have some big rides to really get us out there. Like any good team, we need some really good new and effective offensive moves in our playbooks. Myself, I am in the planning stages of a few Big Rides for the year and I am hoping to get hundreds of Moose Riders together.

It should be easy to get big numbers again, if we just put our heads and ideas together and remember, **“YES WE CAN.”** I am asking all District Chairman and Lodge Chairman to talk to your Lodges and Chapters and try to get them involved as well. Working together benefits everyone.

We need to get our computer funds in order. The time is counting down and our numbers are low. We need your help again this year. We need our Districts to pledge support to raise money for computers for the graduating seniors and funds to help out our Seniors at Moosehaven and the Florida children who are at the Youth Ranches. I am asking for your Help Again. So put your heads together and come up with a plan. Remember, **YES WE CAN AND YES WE WILL.**

Hope to see all of you soon.—*Mark (Tiny) Metcalf, FBMA Moose Riders State Chairman*

—Featured Rider

Interview with Carl LeMay 5/10/2010**Member of Riverview Moose Riders & District 19 Road Captain**

Your also known as “Fat Louie” – how did you get that name?

I got the name on a poker run. I wrote “Fat Louie” on the top of the poker entry and then I won the hand. They called the winner as “Fat Louie” and it stuck. Hey – it was lucky. I kept it.

How long have you been riding?

Since I was 17, I'm 49 now... so it's been awhile.

What was your first bike?

It was an old Suzuki, my family had bikes and my father had an old Harley.

What are you riding now?

2007 Deluxe.

How did you get involved with the Moose Riders?

My friend Martha was/is a part of the Riverview Lodge. She had been trying to get me to go to the lodge for a while. One day I was out riding with my friend Randy and I called Martha to see if she wanted to come meet us for a beer. She said we were really close to the Lodge and we should meet her there. When we pulled into the parking lot- we were surprised to see about 20 bikes in the parking lot. We liked what we saw. They must have like us too – as I have been riding with them ever since.

How did you become the District 19 “Road Captain”?

There was a district meeting an Mark Metcalf, the Moose Riders State Chairman, suggested me. I guess everyone agreed – and I was voted in. I have a busy schedule at work, but it works out.

Where are you from?

I am originally from Rockford, IL. I have traveled around a bit. I have been in FL since about 1995ish.

Where to you live now?

I live in Tampa now, but I remain a part of the Riverview lodge and riders – as I started there and I like it there.

You were a big part of the motivation behind the Moose Riders participating in the recent Bud 8 Ride. How did you get involved in this ride & why were you so motivated to get others involved?

Last year (2009) I wanted to go on the ride, but I had to work. But I when I got off work I went to the Green Iguana to meet up with others there. When I walked into the room I heard a special announcement “Moose Riders are in the house.” It was great. Moose Riders were all over bidding on items and supporting this great cause and event. Moose Riders even outbid J.P. Pippen for some items, and Moose Riders were the highest bidders. That got everyone's attention.

When the emails for this year's event went out – I must have been sitting the computer when they were being sent – so within minutes of getting the info I forwarded it

to everyone saying ,“This is how we roll, this is what we do. Let's show them how much we care & what we can do.” . . . quickly had the \$500 for a sponsorship & this got the ball rolling. f people didn't know about the Moose Riders – they know about us now – we sure let them know.

I heard you recently had an accident – what happened?

It was August 22nd, I had just gotten off work and was riding on Anderson Rd. heading to the N. Hillsboro Lodge, when an Explorer pulled out in front of me. I don't remember much about the accident, just what I have been told really. I got really cracked up, my head, my right side, shoulders, broken leg and some really nasty road rash.

Did you consider not riding after your accident?

Not for a minute... I was frustrated I couldn't ride. The bike was insured, so within 30 days the bike as back, but I couldn't ride it. I could only mill around the house. We usually have a Halloween party and Becky mentioned cancelling it last year, but I really wanted to have it. So, the day of the party we were getting the place ready. I decided I needed to move the bike out of the carport for the party. I was still walking with a cane at the time, but I swung my leg over the bike and started it up. As soon as I started the bike, the house emptied. Everyone was in the drive asking “what are you doing????” Boy - did throwing my leg over the bike get everyone fired up! I had planned on just ‘walking’ the bike down the driveway with the engine helping me roll it . . . I was going to turning it around and then ‘walk’ it back up the driveway . . . as soon as the rear wheel hit the pavement . . .and my foot was on the floorboard – I was riding down the road . . .I only went around the block, but it was a real confidence booster. By the time I pulled back into the driveway - there was no doubt. I was riding.

What else would you like to tell your fellow Moose Riders?

As a team the camaraderie of the Moose Riders is there. The work we do, helping kids, means the most to me. The community service, adopting kids and the Bud 8 Run brings me great satisfaction. I am really not a high profile person, but recently I find myself getting noticed. I attended last fall's Moose Riders Rally, even though I couldn't ride at the time. I wanted to thank everyone for all they did . . . after the accident. . . some of the first people at the hospital were Moose Riders and they have remained ‘there’ for us. The Moose Riders have really helped us out – at the right time – and when we really needed it. They didn't miss a beat. I can never thank everyone for all they did. I can never pay it back. But- I can ‘pay it forward’. This is why I love to do what I can – when I can. I want to play it forward. —Sally K Lindsey, N. Hillsboro Moose Rider



Moose Riders Calendar—Fall 2010

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Florida Moose Rider Events

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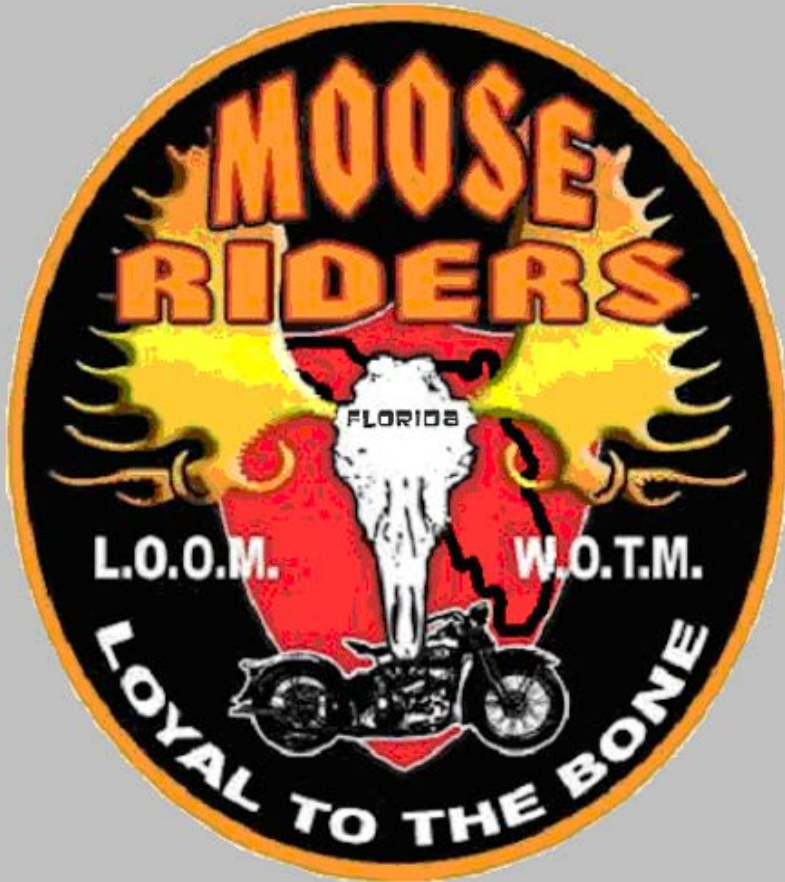
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