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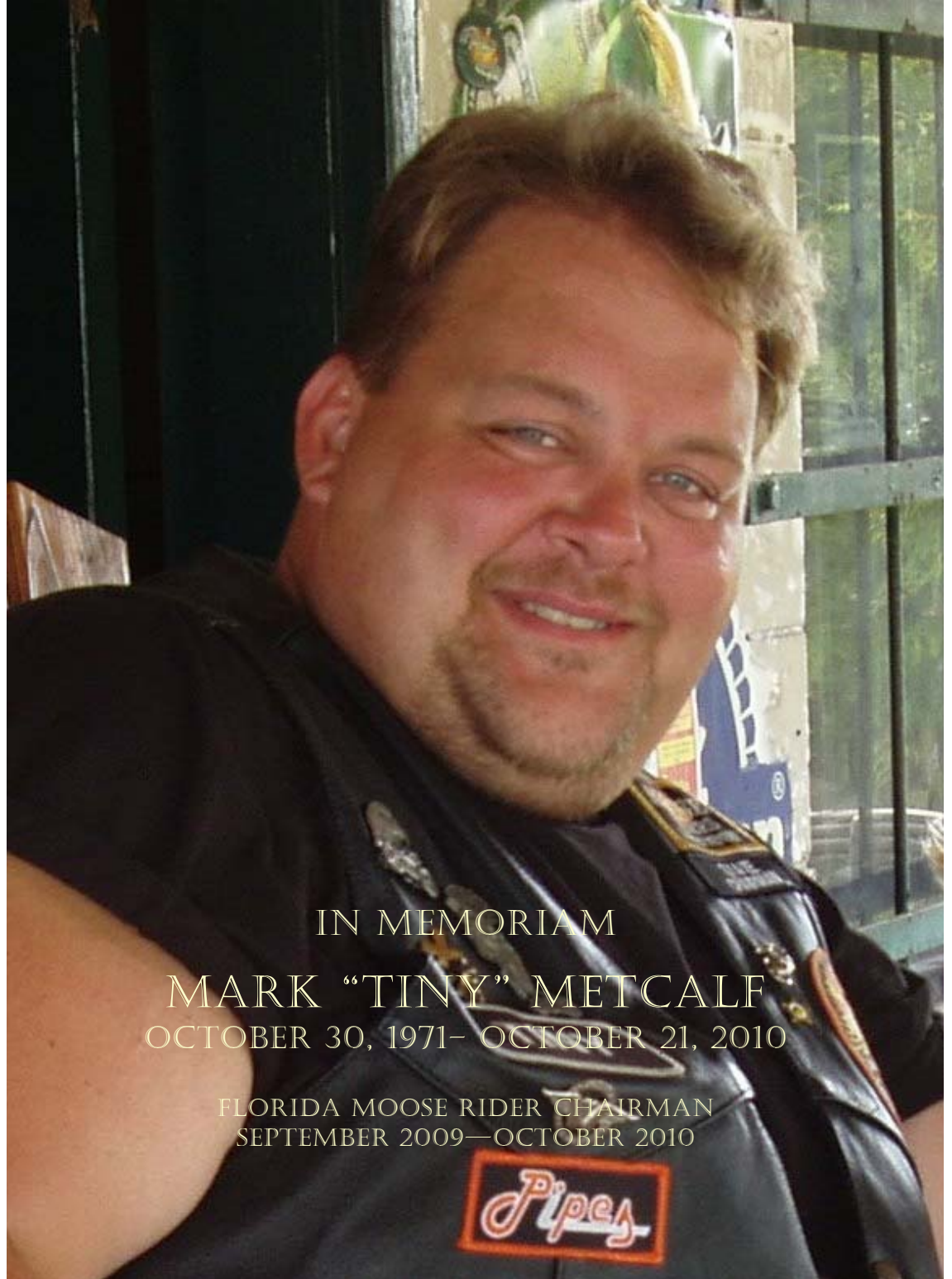
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MARK "TINY" METCALF
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*Moose Riders Honor Lost Leader at State Convention***Mourning Officers Report Annual Fundraising of \$66,880.85**

Florida Moose Rider officers were really looking forward to making presentations at the Annual convention in Tampa this year. What a year we had to talk about; what great plans we had for the future. We were on top of the world . . . until Thursday, October 21, when our world fell apart. The absolute worst had happened. Our state Chairman and dear friend went down on his bike when his rear tire blew on I-75 throwing him and his wife off.

The first news was sketchy, but soon we were all reassured that Margret was pretty much OK. The word about Mark was not so good, but no one wanted to believe it.

News spread quickly (Moose Riders have a wonderful communication network) and many were either already at the hospital or, like us, dropped everything and left work to head for Tampa. Prayers were said and people waited anxiously. The hospital was overflowing with friends, family and Moose Riders, but the news was grim. Mark "Tiny" Metcalf was gone.

Mark believed in what Moose Riders did. He was proud of every cent we raised and every dollar we donated. He cared deeply about the children at Mooseheart and at the Youth Ranches. He loved visiting the seniors at Moosehaven and supporting their needs. But most of all he wanted to do a good job as Chairman.

In the weeks before the convention, Mark was anxious about his speech—fretting over what he would say and how he would say it in front of such a big crowd. He exchanged emails with his fellow officers collecting the financial information, and making sure he did this right. For those of you who never met him, especially those of you at the convention, you missed a real treat. It is cliché to say he was bigger than life, but he really was. His compassion and heart left a big impression on everyone whether he was chairing a meeting, speaking at a rally, or just partying alongside of you.

Moose Riders have big hearts too and believe in what they do. With this sad news, we all came together. Riders from districts near and far showed up for support and to comfort each other at the convention and to pay their respects.

Our Vice Chairman and now new Chairman, Gary Mundorf, rode up from Davie, FL, on Friday to join us and to work with Charlie to put something together to present at the convention on Saturday. It wasn't an easy task. It's difficult to mourn and carry on with business as usual, but it got done. As State Secretary, I made my presentation on Friday afternoon. Believe me when I tell you it was one of the most difficult things I have ever had to do.

Gary and Charlie took the stage on Saturday afternoon and reported that \$66,880.85 was raised by Moose Riders in one year under Mark's Chairmanship. Much of this money was donated to Mooseheart, some in the form of 14 laptop computers last May to the graduating class at Mooseheart. \$13,202.53 was donated to Florida Sheriffs Youth ranches and \$9,235.52 to Moosehaven. \$20,098.75 was raised and donated at the Lodge and District levels to various charities, families or individuals in need.

Despite resounding applause, our great success at raising money was overshadowed by our sadness and grief. Fellow Moose and State dignitaries offered words of sympathy and much needed embraces following the presentations, helping those of us at the convention to make it through.

Mark had so many plans for Moose Riders. He had worked hard to mend fences and worked with Lodges and Moose Rider groups to understand how to work together. He wanted to let people everywhere know how hard Moose Riders work and how much they believe in what they do. Mark's credo was family first, job second, and Moose and Moose Riders third. He lived that way and led that way. We're all proud to have done so well for him this past year, but we owe a lot of our success to his spirit and motivation.

We will miss Mark "Tiny" Metcalf dearly, but we will continue our hard work under the leadership of our new Chairman, Gary Mundorf. We hope to once again step onto the stage next year and report even more money raised. We'll do it for the kids, we'll do it for the seniors and the families in need. But most of all, we'll do it for Tiny.—Ed.



A commemorative gesture

An Open Letter from Frank Kenny to the Moose Riders



Instead of my sending in a column, I want to personally thank the Moose Riders for all of their support over the years.

I also want to tell everyone how much I appreciated working with

Tiny. I only got to know him for a short time, but had a great deal of fun working with him. He was truly a great person and a good friend of our kids. Not just our kids but anyone in need.

I personally plan to give a memorial gift each year in Tiny's name to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. If other riders would like to join me in this memorial you can send you donations to:

FSYR, P O Box 2000, Boys Ranch, Fl 32064.

Just make sure you let them know it is in memory of Tiny.

I wish everyone and healthy and prosperous New Year.

**Frank Kenny
Major Donor Relations Officer
Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches**



—Moose Riders Welcomed at Youth Camp

We're Talkin' Turkey at the Camp Grounds



What a great start to our day at the Florida Youth Ranch Camp Grounds for their Annual Turkey in the Ground event. We received a very informative tour of the grounds from a remarkable young lady by the name of Jamie Szarolleta. Who let us know that 72 Kids a week go through the Camp during the Summer. What an amazing staff they have in place to help so many. You absolutely got the feel of the happiness and personal commitment that everyone has there to the kids.



Soon after our tour, we watched them pull the turkeys from the ground and sitting down to eat a fabulous Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings and every kind of pie available. We played corn hole with Bo who was around the age of 12 or 13, sorry I didn't bother to ask him his age since he was kind enough not to ask me mine. There are many activities for children, from swimming, basketball, high rope, to a building dedicated to learning the environment where they can learn to recycle paper, with everything geared toward teamwork.



I can only say that I was impressed by it all and look forward to doing all I can for our charities specially since most of these very needed services depend on all of us whether it is digging into our pockets or donating our time, services and knowledge. It is a pleasure to be part of the Moose Riders!

--Angie Middleton, MOTOR39
Moose Rider



The Turkey in the Ground event is always the second Sunday in November and this year it was on the 14th at the Youth Camp in Barberville. This has been an annual tradition for over 25 years. Attendance this year was 245 and one of the largest gatherings yet. The Youth Camp was formerly a Girl Scout Camp and was acquired by the Youth Ranches in 1982. It consists of 200 acres of forested property near Barberville. Both the boys from the Ranch in Live Oak and girls from the Youth Villa in Bartow enjoy the facility. They interact with camp staff and volunteer Law Officers to reinforce positive attributes and overcome negative attitudes. Some activities youngsters participate in include: swimming, canoeing, archery, sports activities, hiking, arts and crafts, completing a low and high ropes challenge course, and special demonstrations by various Sheriffs Offices.

Moose Riders are encouraged to come and see the work they have done for our children at the camp. The bathhouses are beautiful and that would not have been possible without the support of the Moose. Make sure you reserve a seat so there's plenty of Turkey and Fixins for everyone.--Debi Girard, FSyr

—Riders enjoy a day in Live Oak

Sun Shines on 53rd Youth Ranch Anniversary Celebration



MOTOR 39 showed up for the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch Open House at Live Oak early in October. A group of 10 riders (8 of which were first-timers) met up in Macclenny for the long ride west. The group arrived in Live Oak around 10:15, in time to browse the vendors, and enjoy the gorgeous weather.

Once again our friends Frank Kenny and Debbie Girard made us feel like royalty, escorting us to front row seats for the opening ceremonies, and providing us with an outstanding barbecue lunch.

This year we were able to watch Ranchers working on lathes creating intricately turned pens out of exotic pieces of wood. Riders were quick to do a little shopping, purchasing several of the pens and other pieces created at the Ranch. One young Rancher proudly displayed his own lathe (top photo left) which he had won in a wood-turning competition. Other Ranchers at different levels explained their work and showed us the results. Following lunch, Frank took the riders on a tour of the grounds, including a stop by the Suwannee River, and a visit to Conn Cottage, one of the residences.



Ranchers displayed their wood turning talents for visitors.



Ranchers ride in during the opening anniversary ceremonies.

Riders were treated to homemade banana and pumpkin bread baked by "Mom" and a tour of the cottage led by Rancher Jason. Jason introduced us to his family and explained that he wanted to join the military and had been inspired by Ranchers that preceded him.

At the conclusion of the tour, MOTOR 39 members posed with the statue commemorating the founding of the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches. Riders then headed back to Macclenny for a refreshment before heading home for the day.—Editor



MOTOR 39 riders gather in front of the Youth Ranch Administration Building before riding home.

Moose International Introduces . . .

The Mark "Tiny" Metcalf Memorial "Big Heart" Award

The email to the right came to me and Charlie on the morning of October 22nd as we were eating breakfast in Tampa at the Annual Florida Moose convention. I was preparing to deliver a presentation at the WOTM session that afternoon and Charlie was trying to pull together his thoughts so he could speak on Tiny's behalf at the Saturday session.. We will never forget how we felt when we received this and how grateful we were that Mark and his hard work in his short term in office would be recognized and remembered for many years to come.
Joan Fedora & Charlie Titheridge

Joan & Charlie:

Again, let me express my deepest sympathies to you, the FBMA Moose Riders, and Margret & the kids at the loss of FBMA Moose Rider Chairman Mark Metcalf.

I have the following information that I would like for you to include with your Moose Rider reports at the FBMA Convention this weekend.

In recognition of Mark Metcalf's extraordinary effectiveness in, sadly, his short time as State Moose Rider Chairman of the Florida/Bermuda Moose Association Moose Riders and in consideration of his willingness to bridge gaps and mend fences within the Fraternity, and his commitment to our causes of Mooseheart and Moosehaven, the Membership Department of Moose International is instituting the **Mark "Tiny" Metcalf memorial "Big Heart" Award** in conjunction with the annual National Moose Ride 4 Kids Day.

The 2011 National Moose Ride 4 Kids Day will be promoted in conjunction with the annual Mooseheart Bike Blessing and Run on May 21, 2011. There will be a coordinated resource page and program materials for participating Moose Rider groups across the nation and in Canada that will include pledge sheets, sponsor letters, and event planners available on the Moose Charities website.<http://www.moosecharities.org/>

The award will be presented annually to the single¹ Moose Rider group in the fraternity raising the most funds for Mooseheart Child City & School during their Lodge's Moose Ride 4 Kids Event. Additionally, any Moose Rider Group attending the Mooseheart Bike Blessing & Run may qualify by presenting their donations to

¹ This was changed to the Lodge Moose Rider Group, District Moose Rider Group and State/Provincial Association Moose Rider Group delivering the highest dollar amount .

Mooseheart the day of the event, in person.

Announcements will be made to all units through bulk emails and a stepped up campaign will be undertaken to identify international Moose Rider Activity Groups and capture their contact information.

As Mark was a great motivator and unifier through the Moose Rider program in life, so too we hope his spirit and hopes for Moose Rider growth and recognition--and his big heart--will live on with Moose Ride 4 Kids and the Mark "Tiny" Metcalf "Big Heart" Award.
Best,

Chris Ecker
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International Introduces the Mark “Tiny” Metcalf Big Heart at Ride 4 Kids

First Ever International Award for Moose Riders



May 21, 2011 has been designated as “Moose Ride 4 Kids Day”, a date that coincides with the 8th Annual Mooseheart Bike Blessing & Run motorcycle event, which is open to the public and originates at Mooseheart Child City & School in Illinois.

“Out of the nearly 1700 Moose Lodge facilities in the U.S. and Canada, we have identified over ten percent of Lodges as

having ‘Moose Rider’ motorcycle activity groups,” said Shawn Baile, Moose International’s Director of Membership. “Our Moose Riders are very active in fund raising, membership development, and act as public ambassadors, helping to spread the word about our work at Mooseheart, as well as informing people about our senior retirement facility, Moosehaven, in Orange Park, Florida. They take the responsibility of caring for our children and seniors very seriously.”

With “Moose Ride 4 Kids Days”, Baile is putting out a call to all Moose Riders to take part in a coordinated fund raising effort to benefit the children of Mooseheart. The Mooseheart Bike Blessing & Run will remain the centerpiece event of the international effort.

“The concept is simple,” said Baile. “For Moose Riders who cannot make the trip to Mooseheart for the annual Bike Blessing & Run, we are encouraging their local Moose Rider Activity Groups to host a motorcycle fund raising event of their own on May 21. They should invite both members and the motorcycle riding public, and collect pledges to benefit Mooseheart and another children’s charity of their choice. The funds should then be split 50/50 between Mooseheart and the designated charity.”

Additionally, by participating in “Moose Ride 4 Kids Day”, Moose Rider groups will vie for the honor of being awarded the Mark “Tiny” Metcalf “Big Heart Award”. The awards will go to the Lodge Moose Rider Group, District Moose Rider Group and State/Provincial Association Moose Rider Group delivering the highest dollar amount

designated for Mooseheart to Moose Charities by the end of May.

The award is named for Mark “Tiny” Metcalf, the late Florida/Bermuda Moose Association Moose Rider Chairman, who tragically lost his life during a mission on behalf of the Moose Riders whom he loved so much. It is the first award of its kind, specifically created to honor Moose Riders and their dedication to Mooseheart.

“In recognition of ‘Tiny’ Metcalf’s extraordinary effectiveness in his short time as Moose Rider Chairman of the Florida/Bermuda Moose Association, and in consideration of his willingness to bridge gaps and mend fences within the fraternity, and due to his commitment to our causes at Mooseheart and Moosehaven, the Membership Department of Moose International has instituted the Mark Metcalf memorial “Big Heart” Award in conjunction with the annual International Moose Ride 4 Kids Day,” said Assistant Director of Membership and motorcyclist Chris Ecker. “As Mark was a great motivator and unifier through the Moose Rider program in life, so too we hope his spirit and his hopes for Moose Rider growth and recognition—and his big heart—will live on with “Moose Ride 4 Kids Day” and the Mark ‘Tiny’ Metcalf ‘Big Heart’ Award.”

Each Moose Rider group participating will receive a frameable “Moose Ride 4 Kids Day” certificate. Moose Rider groups who make the pilgrimage to the annual Mooseheart event will also be able to qualify for the award by presenting a check for Moose Charities in person at the Bike Blessing.

“Moose Ride 4 Kids Day” will be a coordinated effort of Moose International’s Membership Department and the offices of Moose Charities. Event resources, logo designs, pledge sheets, ride guides and other materials will be available on the Moose International website. —Moose International

Moose Riders!

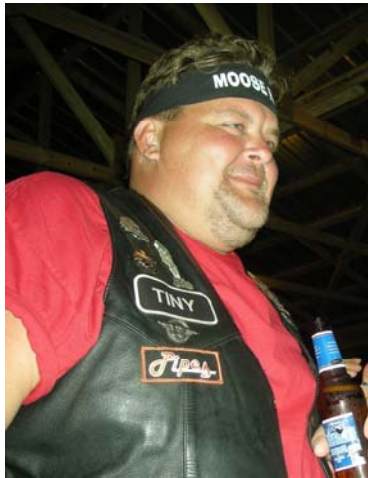
The annual Blessing of the Bikes isn’t just a social event—money raised that day benefits Mooseheart. This year, if you can’t make it to Mooseheart, step up to the challenge anyway. Let’s see whose hearts are the biggest and who can raise the most money on May 21, 2011, for Mooseheart and for the children in your community.

Mark your calendar now and plan a Moose Ride 4 Kids Day event to raise money for your favorite charity and for our Mooseheart children. You could be awarded the Mark “Tiny” Metcalf Big Heart Award and enjoy the pure pleasure of giving!

Registration forms and more information available on the Moose International website.

Fall Rally Attracts Big Crowd

Lodge Provides Great Location for Moose Rider Rally



It's been a really hot summer in Florida, and even though the fall season began on the 23rd, it was still hot in Avon Park for the 7th FBMA Moose Riders Rally. **Highlands County** really outdid themselves for this thing. Between the Lodge, the Tiki bar, the huge covered seating area, the little covered bar around the side and the wonderfully treed lot, riders had plenty of shade to enjoy. Bands started early and so did the partying. Riders began rolling in from all over to get the celebration going. Burgers, dogs and barbecue were offered all afternoon, and a spaghetti dinner was on the menu for dinner. The music continued inside and out. Jell-O shots were offered, both traditional and in the form of injections and caulk shots. Needless to say, everyone was enjoying themselves. Saturday morning offered no relief from the heat, but the riders enjoyed breakfast and then put kickstands up at around 10:30 for two poker runs. By all accounts, both runs were a hit and quite a bit of money was raised. Following the poker run, there were bike games and more live music. In between



riders had the chance to purchase raffle tickets for prizes and 50/50s. A variety of food was offered up by Lodges that included steak sandwiches, barbecue, burgers and dogs and fish and chips. Dinner later offered drunken chicken and sides. Let it be said that all the food was delicious.

Saturday's attendance included various bike groups from the area who had the chance to enjoy the Moose and Moose Rider experience. This reporter knows of at least one new Moose signed up over the weekend. A representative from *Full Throttle Magazine* spent the day with us, riding in one of the two poker runs. We also met up with some brand new Moose Riders from Tampa who came by for the day.

By evening, the party was in full swing, with music outside and karaoke inside. The bar was overflowing with guests and everyone was having a great time, including Gary Dunford. Rumor has it, his Lodge made sure he was enjoying himself, having provided him with numerous shots of his favorite beverage.

Sunday morning, the Lodge offered another breakfast as riders began showing up for the morning meetings. At 10:00 am the Officers convened to discuss Board matters and re-view the agenda for the General Session. Attendance was high for the general meeting and announcements about the Fall 2011 Rally to be hosted by Districts 2 and 4, and about the Spring "Getaway" that will

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Moose Rider Rally, continued from page 8



replace the regular rally in March of 2011. Everyone was excited about this new event that Gina Perrin has been working so feverishly to organize. Chairman Metcalf also announced that Gina had been appointed by the Board to be our Public Relations person or more accurately our special events coordinator. He announced that in addition to the Getaway we would be looking to Gina to help us organize a state-wide ride in honor of a fallen marine who had attended the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch in Safety Harbor, Nathaniel Schultz. All proceeds, per Nate's family, will be donated to the Youth Ranches. Gary Dunford gave a preliminary report on the proceeds from the rally and expects to



net at least \$12,000 for the weekend. Moose Riders showed their appreciation with a big round of applause for a job well done by Highlands County and District 23.

See more photos on the next page.



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District News

MOTOR 39

MOTOR 39 held its election of officers at the October meeting. New Chairman is Charlie Titheridge, Vice Chair Rich Vernon, Secretary/Treasurer Paula

Guttsen, and Sergeant at Arms, Sean Goff, and Keith Green Past Chairman. We look forward to another successful year.

Riders from MOTOR 39 paid their respects in Riverview at the Memorial Ride and Service for Tiny Metcalf and on the Sunday of the same weekend paid respects to Macclenny Moose Rider Charter Member and Mandarin 42 Lodge Member Teddy Cavoores who succumbed to a long battle with cancer.

Not only was Teddy a Moose Rider, he was past president of Seminole Legion 81, a Fellow and past Governor of Mandarin 42. We will dearly miss Teddy's zest for life and support for Moose Riders.. We're thankful we were able to take him on a ride in September where he was joined by a huge crowd of friends, fellow riders and family. It was a great afternoon.

The Biker Ball in October at the Mandarin Lodge was another great success and we were honored to welcome Tiny and Margret Metcalf for that event. The ball raised a lot of money for Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches.



IN MEMORIAM
TEDDY CAVOORES



Mandarin Riders prior to start of Veterans Day Parade

And speaking of the Youth Ranches, Frank Kenny once again came in second in the Stroke My Ego contest.. Thanks again to



MOTOR39 meets up with Deltona in Salt Springs

Linda Rodgers and her helpers who made it a great night for everyone.

In November we held our meeting in Salt Springs in the middle of the Ocala Forest. Perfect riding weather and we even had a chance to meet some Deltona Moose Riders, who rode up for the day. Deltona is one of the newest groups to form.

MOTOR 39's Mandarin 42 riders also took part in the Jacksonville Veteran's Day parade with 12 bikes and a total of 23 people, including Bob Kemp on his motorized cooler that he won in Avon Park. Thanks to Faye Kemp for making this happen. We were honored to be selected to participate this year and hope to continue the tradition.

On December 4th we had a fundraiser in honor of Tiny, joining forces with riders from Deltona who graciously led us on a ride to a couple of Lodges in the area. They donated \$148 that they raised cooking wings donated by their Lodge. MOTOR 39 riders made the trip back to JAX for the poker draw and ended up raising \$240. Macclenny Riders, unable to take the ride to Deltona, did a fundraiser at their Lodge.—*J. Fedora, Secretary*

FBMA MOOSE RIDERS

**SPRING BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2011**

1:00 PM

**Merritt Island Lodge
3150 N. COURTENAY PKWY
MERRITT ISLAND, FL 32953**

**All State Board Members, Board Committee
Chairmen and District Chairmen should
attend this "Spring" Board Meeting.**

Other riders are welcome to join us for some fun following the meeting.

Meeting will commence promptly at 1:00 PM at the Lodge.

Lunch will be offered prior to the meeting beginning around 11:00 AM.

Please RSVP to: FBMANews@yahoo.com

(We would like to give Merritt Island folks an idea of how many are coming.)

Additional Details about the weekend will be forthcoming.

Merritt Island Moose Riders suggest the following for accommodations.

**Econo Lodge Space Center,
3220 N Cocoa Blvd (US#1), Cocoa, FL 32926
321-632-4561**

Rate is \$55 a night.
It's right next to the Bee Line (528)
and about 2.5 miles
to the Lodge.

District News

23 **District 23 Moose Riders**, which consists of Arcadia, Highlands County and Sebring riders have been very busy.

December 4

District 23 rode with the Abate Interstate chapters Toys For Tots run. On the same day Highlands County hosted a poker run for the local police department to help raise money for a new police dog. They had to retire the previous dog due to injuries on duty. We donated \$500.00 to the Avon Park police Department canine program.

December 11

District 23 held their annual toy run to help the needy families in our Lodges. The support was overwhelming A big thank you to all the lodges of District 23, Arcadia, Lake Placid, Highlands County, Sebring, and Wauchula for there support. We were able to assist all the Moose lodge families and still had toys left to donate to local charities

All District 23 Lodges held an event to honor Tiny Metcalf. This consisted of rides, fish fries, etc. all to raise moneys for Tiny's family and to honor the memory of a great man.

District 23 has set aside funds and will be Donating \$500.00 to the Desoto County. Meals on Wheels program

We have also set aside \$500.00 to be donated to Ready's wildlife refuge and will incorporate a poker run and tour of the facility to increase the donations

In November District 23 had a monumental honor in being invited to join in on escorting the Viet Nam Memorial Traveling Wall into

Sebring. We like to commend Sebring Moose Riders who were instrumental in getting the wall brought to Sebring

Save the Date

On March 26th, Highlands County Moose Riders will hold its 4th annual hogfest—a three day event with live entertainment, bike games, special guests and a waterslide. We will be raising funds for Epilepsy Awareness. Please keep an eye out for our flyer.

Arcadia, Highlands, and Sebring all have ongoing dinners, rides and events to support Mooseheart, Moosehaven, Sheriffs Youth Ranch, and local charities throughout the year

District 23 is very lucky to have 3 Moose Rider groups (Arcadia, Highlands County, Sebring) that are always there to support each other and work so well together. Without these wonderful people my job as District 23 Chairman would be impossible.

Thank you.

—*William Walker, District Chairman*

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Contact Pipes at fbmanews@yahoo.com for information about our very reasonable rates.

District News

4 District 4 Invites District 2 to Join TINY Fundraiser
 Saturday, 04 December 2010,
 District 4 planned a benefit fundraiser at the Davie Lodge and invited District 2 to participate. Gary Mundorf and the Riders of District 4 were



able to plan the event and invited Keith Delano and District 2 to join. It was a day full of fun beginning with the ride to Davie, which started at the West Dade Lodge and went to Dade Corners, then to Café 27 prior to reaching the Davie Lodge.

At Davie, everyone began the preparation for the afternoon and evening event. We began prepping for the afternoon Bingo players, serving hamburgers and fries along with hot dogs and fries. During this time Gary was marinating the ribs and the kitchen members were serving the burgers and dogs as well as setting up the sides for the ribs later that evening. Throughout the day Gary followed up with members and continued to recruit participants.

As evening came and the ribs began to sell, the entire area was aware of the project as the smoke and aroma filled the neighborhood. We were privileged to have members of local bands donate their time and abilities to form a unique new band which rocked us throughout the evening. A 50 / 50 and blind raffle were held, with the raffle surprising many with both interesting and delightful prizes. It was a good day of fun and we raised over \$700.00.



We thank all who came out to support our Moose Riders.

Just a reminder that the Fall Rally will be down south and Districts 2 & 4 will be your hosts and are showing they work well together. Mark your calendars and save the date for a wonderful time next September when we will put on an event for all over Florida and beyond.—Districts 2 and 4



District News

Lauderdale Lakes Lauderdale Lakes would like to wish everyone a safe, happy and most of all a healthy new year. As we are a very new Moose Riders activity group, we do not have much to report. This past September we held a poker run in conjunction with District 4 Moose Riders to help Chance, a 2 ½ year old boy with a serious heart defect. This family is without insurance for Chance as his father was injured years before Chance was born, on the job as a Pasco County Sheriff's officer. Chance and his family came to visit us at the October convention in Tampa, where they were presented with a check for \$1,600.00.

At the same time this family was being presented with a check, which bought a smile to their faces, we were all saddened with the news of Mark 'Tiny' Metcalf's tragic passing. Tiny was a spectacular, one of a kind human being who will never be forgotten. We were proud to take the ride up to the Riverview Lodge on October 30, 2010, to take part in



Chance and family at State convention

the memorial for Mark. South Florida Moose Riders had an oak tree delivered to the Riverview lodge with a plaque honoring Mark. We did not leave for the ride home until the tree was in place and planted. To Margret and the kids, we cannot know what you are going through; just know that we are grieving along with you. It just makes us feel a little safer knowing that Tiny is riding with us every time we mount our bikes.

As all other Moose Riders activity groups across Florida did, we held a memorial benefit in honor of Tiny on December 4, 2010. Lauderdale Lakes Moose Riders had a backyard poker run / bbq / bake sale. A great time was had by all. Ride safe until next time.

Lauderdale Lakes Moose Riders

Cocoa This last quarter, the Cocoa Moose Riders (CMR), Lodge 1717 have been busy riding, fundraising and just enjoying this beautiful Florida weather. October began with a fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis. This game run raised \$600 for charity (imagine a poker run and instead of drawing a card you play a game for points). The middle of the month provided the opportunity for the CMR



Brevard County Toy Run

to ride up to Daytona Beach for Biketoberfest 2010. You couldn't ask for better weather, food or people to enjoy the event with. We wrapped up October by raising over half the funds needed to send a deserving veteran to Washington, D.C, as part of the Honor Flight Program. We were the ones honored to be able to assist. In November we did a "Thank You" ride to all the places that supported our fund raising events and personally delivered thank you cards signed by members of the CMR.

On December 5th we participated in the annual Brevard County Toy Run. This event attracts bikers from all over the state, and as you can see by the photo, it is no small event. The FBMA Moose Riders Spring Getaway will be held in our neck of the woods. We are working with the planners of this event and hope to be heavily involved. We look forward to meeting our fellow riders from across the state at this event. We welcome any riders to stop in and visit us anytime. We have cold adult beverages as well as some of the nicest people you will ever meet at our Lodge. From all of us here at Lodge 1717, Ride Free, Ride and we hope you had a Safe, Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday! --Fred Wyman, Cocoa Moose Riders

District News

19 It hardly seemed real and yet there we all were at the Riverview Lodge paying honor to and mourning the loss of a good friend, a great leader and a dearly missed husband and father. Riverview Lodge and Riverview Moose Riders came together to organize a phenomenal service and ride in only ten days. Facebook and the Internet were lit up with the memorial flyer and word of the scheduled poker run. Few thought twice about showing up and that was evident on Friday afternoon as Riders started to come in. The mood was solemn, and faces saddened, but once together people began telling stories about times they spent with Mark and spirits were lifted. Margret and Mark's brother David stopped by early evening to thank everyone for their support and their kind words. The Lodge offered dinner for everyone and a brief meeting was held to organize the ride and the events for the following day. Not surprisingly, Moose Riders stepped up to act as road captains and to help in any way that they could. Riders gathered on Saturday morning at the Lodge, some from as far as South Carolina. Old school friends from Michigan even made their way to Florida to take part in the memorial. Nearby Lodges and riders from a variety of other local groups started showing up and, before we knew it, the Lodge grounds

were overflowing with bikes and cars and trucks and people. If you didn't know what was going on, you might have imagined it was another Moose Riders' rally. Sadly, it wasn't and the reality set in when we saw Mark's famous horned helmet affixed to the front of Mark's brother David's bike. You did a second take when you realized something else was on the front as well. It truly was Mark's last ride, his remains resting high on the front of the bike and ready to enjoy the ride.

Riverview exhibited remarkable organization, sending waves of bikes out at intervals on the nearly 90 mile run. Despite the reported 400+ bikes and 3-1/2 miles of the procession, the ride went smoothly as we made our way first to "Peggy's Corral", a favorite stopping point, and finally to the site of the accident. Hundreds of bikes slowed down and gave a nod to the marker on the side of I-75 before continuing on back to the Lodge.

A Memorial service was scheduled for 2:00 PM in the Lodge. A display of posters, photos, a video and Mark's vest were a sobering reminder of why we were there. The room was packed. Friends, family, acquaintances and even the Florida Moose State President, Chuck Myers crowded into the space. Moose Riders, friends and Lodge officers took their place and commenced with a deeply moving ritual service that left few dry eyes in the crowd. Following the service, dignitaries, family, fellow Moose Riders, and friends gave their tributes. Particularly touching were the ones from the children, their pain and loss felt by everyone in the audience.

Later in the day as the sun was beginning to set, people gathered along with the family outside the Lodge for the presentation of a tree donated in Mark's name by District 4. A ceremonial ground breaking by District 4 Moose Riders and Mark's family was followed by the actual planting of the tree and initial Michelob Light "watering" of same. It is hoped that the tree will be an inspiration and will be a reminder of Mark and everything that he contributed to the Moose in his short lifetime.

It was a difficult weekend, but necessary for everyone. Our extended Moose Rider and Moose family came together, as we should, to support Mark's family and each other in a time of intense grief and loss. I would like to think we all left feeling a little bit closer to each other. I'm pretty sure that's what Mark would have wanted.—*Editor*

MEMORIAL RIDE For Mark "Tiny" Metcalf



Saturday
October
30th

MEMORIAL RIDE & SERVICE
at Riverview Moose Lodge
9000 Honeywell, Gibsonton, FL

COME CELEBRATE HIS LIFE

KICK STANDS UP for Ride - 11am
Memorial & Tributes - 2pm

Covered Dishes & Food - WELCOMED!

ALL ARE INVITED - Bikes, Trikes, Cars, Moose, Non-Moose & etc...



Thank you to Riverview Moose Lodge and Moose Riders for such a thoughtful Memorial. We'll miss you, Tiny.



District News

Introducing . . .

New Districts and a New Lodge Group

6 Florida's newest chapter of the Moose Riders, The Treasure Coast Moose Riders of District 6, was formed on September 16th of this year. In less than 3 months time, we have grown to 50 members and are adding new members on almost a weekly basis. We have found that the advantage to being a District Riders Group, is that it allows us to meet new people throughout our District. We rotate our monthly meetings to the various Lodges and ride after the meeting. Typically, we ride to the Lodges that are out of the way and whose members find it difficult to get to us. It gives the Lodge members an opportunity to get to know us and the causes that we support. Many times when you ride up on a motorcycle, wearing leather vests and riding gear, you get nervous glances. It's important to get the word out that we are not a motorcycle club but a fun activity group working to raise money for needy organizations. Once they understand that, you can see the new-found respect in their eyes. We have also made it a point to go to the local open houses of local clubs and introduce ourselves. We have made a great number of new friends, who have offered their support to many of our upcoming agendas.

It was nice to be recognized and visited by Gary Mundorf, the Florida State Chairman. He rode up on the 28th of November with his wife Carol and a number of their friends. We spent an enjoyable day together doing a toy run for Martin County. After the ride, we were able to sit and talk at the Port St Lucie Lodge and feel that we again made some good friends that will support us and allow us to support them.

So now that we have introduced ourselves, We just wanted to let you know that we are here to stay and are working hard to make a difference in our neighborhood. So if your in the neighborhood, stop in and have a drink with us.

Thanks,
Treasure Coast Moose Riders

The photo to the right of a group of Deltona riders was taken in Salt Springs at a Chili Cook-off.

Welcome to the Nassau Moose Riders, Yulee, FL. This group started in 2006, with 42 members, but like many other groups their membership has dropped. Charlie and I met up with Robert Taylor at the Lodge just after Thanksgiving to thank him in person for the Laptop Pledge from the Nassau Moose Riders. For a small group, they do a lot. We look forward to hearing more from them and organizing some joint functions with MOTOR 39. —*Joan Fedora*

Nassau **Nassau Lodge 2352** is located in Yulee, Florida, right at the very top of the State. Nassau riders will be doing raffles and in March a poker run to raise money for a laptop and printer for the Mooseheart Graduating Class. Mary Taylor is our president, and Buddy Wilcox, Vice. Robert Taylor is Secretary Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms is Sid Bodie, and Road Captain is Ron Gay. Every second Sunday, the Moose Riders do a breakfast buffet. We donated \$100 to the Yulee Bass Club for a youth fishing tourney in October, \$150 to the Lodge for their Kids Christmas party, and \$50 in non-perishables to the Thanksgiving Drive in November. Thanks. *Robert Taylor, Secretary Treasurer*

10 **We've got a bunch** of new riders in District 10 and we got to hook up with them first in Salt Springs when MOTOR 39 did a weekend getaway in the Ocala Forest, and then again on Tiny Day, when riders from MOTOR 39 did a "poker run" to District 10, stopping first at Deltona. They presented us with \$148 they raised to donate to the Metcalf family. What great hosts they were and we look forward to seeing them at many future state meetings and rallies.



District News

20 Hello from **District 20.** I hope this 1st quarter edition finds everyone in good health and having had a wonderful holiday season. We are excited about the upcoming year's events, beginning with our annual Lodge to Lodge poker run on January 16th. Monies raised will be used to support our laptop donation fund. The Lodges in District 20 have elected new officers and I know they will maintain the high standards District 20 has demonstrated in the past.

Auburndale

Congratulations to the 2011 Auburndale officers: Chairperson - Teresa Durbin; Vice Chairperson - Kim Moore; Secretary/Treasurer - Patsy Cox; Sergeant at Arms - Ric Pezzoni; and Road Captain - Walter Moore. Auburndale Moose Riders continue to thrive and raise charity dollars while for the most part homeless. They donated \$2,002 from a poker run to the Good Shepherd Hospice. At the time of publishing, Auburndale Moose Riders are having a Christmas party/fund raiser for Tiny Day and are planning a steak dinner night in January.

Haines City

Congratulations to the 2011 Haines City officers: Chairperson - Cindi "Boss Lady" Sanders; Vice Chairperson - Donnie "Double D" Beasley; Secretary - Becky Harden "Cucumber" Mccumber; Treasurer - Janice "Mama Bear" Raeder; Sergeant-At-Arms - Dino "Dago" DiCorpo; Road Captain - Jerry "RIP" Raeder. Haines City Moose Riders attended the ABATE annual Toys for Tots run in Brevard County. Estimates were between 15,000 and 20,000 motorcycles. The last fundraiser for the year will be on December 18th to the Sunshine foundation. Haines City will start the new year with a poker run on January 29. On a final note December 4th Haines City Moose Riders celebrated Tiny's life with a cold Ultra and toast.

Lake Wales

Congratulations to the 2011 Lake Wales officers: Chairperson - Ed Monahan; Past Chairperson - Regina "Gina" Perrin; Vice Chairperson - Marsha Fuday; Secretary - Frances



Gillespie; Treasurer - Martin "Red" Kingery; Sergeant-At-Arms - Harry Nasson II; Co-Road Captains - Richard "Rich" Walters and Larry Piatt. Lake Wales Moose Riders had a very successful last three months. Roosevelt Academy, Lake Wales Moose Riders' local charity for 2010, received \$520. The town of Lake Wales came together to support a local business owner, raising \$10,000, of which \$400.00 was from the Moose Riders.

The VFW and the Moose Riders joined hands for a Poker Run to support the VA Hospital 400 Christmas Stocking drive. Lake Wales donated to Tiny Day, and had the opportunity to escort the Traveling Wall. On December 5th, their 2nd Annual Toy Run produced over \$1,500 worth of toys and monetary donations in excess of \$200. Funds were presented to the Lake Wales Women's Club for distribution in Lake Wales. They will be cooking for their Lodge New Year's Eve to end their year. Gina Perrin, outgoing Chairperson, extends thanks to all the Lake Wales Moose Riders for their support these past two years and is very proud to announce that Moose Riders raised over \$16,000 in support of local and Moose Charities.

District 20 members are looking forward to the State "Getaway" in March. I also want to welcome all of our new members and activity groups around the state. In closing, a personal thank you goes out to our Past Chairperson, Gina Perrin, for her dedication in helping make District 20 what it is today.

—Gary Cassen, District 20 Chairperson

District News

25 Since the fall rally District 25 has held 2 poker rides. We did a ride in November for a friend, Ron Bula, who has cancer and is struggling with medical bills. We had 92 riders who did an 87 mile ride with free food at the end of the ride. Ron, who the ride was for, won the top hand with a flush and the 50/50 was donated back to him. In all we raised \$1470 for him.

The group also did the "Big Kahuna" Bed Races, which raises money for the March of Dimes. Our car did not race, but the crowd loved the decorations on it. In November we did the March of Dimes "Bikers for Babies" ride with 1700 other bikes. This is a 35 mile, police escorted ride from Naples through Ft. Myers Beach and back to Ft. Myers. As a group we raised \$1200 for March of Dimes, which we donated on the night of race. December 4th we had a Toy Ride for ACT, a battered women's shelter in Ft. Myers. The weather was cold but we still had 25 riders who went on the 87 mile ride. Lodge 2395 had free food for all the riders at the end of the ride. Besides the toys, we raised \$406, some of which we bought some more toys. We had a moment of silence for "Tiny" and a bike blessing at the start of the ride. Since our first official ride in May, District 25 has met our \$3000 State Moose Riders fundraising goal, and also raised an additional \$4700 for our charities.

We would like to thank Lodge 2395 for welcoming our group with open arms after some of us transferred out of 2199. It is so much better when a Lodge will work with you, rather than fight everything you try to do.

As for upcoming events, we are trying to set a Casino Night at the Lodge sometime hopefully in February. We are also planning a ride for



the Florida Youth Ranches in January. We are also going to have a fundraiser for a young girl who needs a heart transplant. We will see everyone at the Spring Board Meeting.—*Russell Roberts, Chairman*



District News

15 Our Putts for Mutts Poker Run on the 16th of October was a huge success. We had in the neighborhood of 60 motorcycles. Our first stop was at the Humane Society where we delivered 3 truck loads of dog food, cat food, kitty litter and other supplies. We also gave them \$65.00 cash that was donated during the event preparation. A special thanks to all that helped put this together, all that participated in the event., and all that donated items for door prizes and auctions. We will be presenting the Humane Society with an additional check for \$1008.00. And this is after Donating to Moose Charities and our lodge. This was the first Putts for Mutts event. Our plans are to make this an annual event.

Pensacola Moose Lodge and Moose Riders suffered a profound loss in September when Alan Monroe Herzl, 48, was lost to injuries suffered in a Taliban mortar attack near Kandahar, Afghanistan, on September 6,



IN MEMORIAM
ALAN HERZEL

2010, while working to set up a remote forward base camp office. Alan was a civilian contractor employed by DynCorp International as support plumber supervisor for American troops. Alan, a long time Moose Member, Moose Legionnaire and Moose Rider, held the office of Prelate; Moose Legion # 182 where he was Secretary/Treasurer; and was a member of Moose Riders # 557. He will be dearly missed.

11-20-2010 was the 8th annual Ronald McDonald House/Mooseheart Charities Poker Run. The ride started at the Moose Lodge 557, Pensacola, and ended back at the Lodge. This is the 2nd year we have put on this event and it is on our calendar for next year. We raised approximately \$550.00 for Ronald McDonald House and \$550.00 for Mooseheart.

In addition, we gave \$100.00 to our Lodge. We had 46 Bikes and 6 passengers on the ride, and 8 volunteers that worked the event, resulting in 3300 miles ridden and 363 hours of community service. On 11/27 we sponsored the Amanda Griffith Benefit Poker



Putts for Mutts: 650lbs of dog food; 400lbs of cat litter, 180lbs of cat food

Run. It was brought to our attention by one of our members, Frank Humphries, that this 20 year old single mother was in financial distress due to the enormous amount of medical expenses incurred when she went into a diabetic coma. We believe it was a huge success, with our riders raising \$1,143.00 for Amanda along with \$129.00 for our lodge. On this ride we had 64 riders and the ride was 66 miles.

Our Lodge was having a hard time with the light bill. With the economy taking a turn to the down side we felt the crunch. One night there a few of us in the Social Quarters were discussing the situation. and someone said, "What the H*(((, Lets do an event to raise money for our Lodge." Now this wasn't just a Moose Rider event. Everyone was involved and it was one "Heck" of an event and raised over \$8,000.00 for our Lodge. Just wait for next years "What the Heck Again" party.

On the weekend following Tiny's passing, we had a memorial ride that was small but "from the heart". It was a 5 hour ride with 20 odd bikers. In lieu of another event on the 4th of December, we voted to donate \$250 to the Mark Metcalf fund .

—Ted Robinson, Chairman District 15



L.I.F.E.

(Laptop Investment For Education)

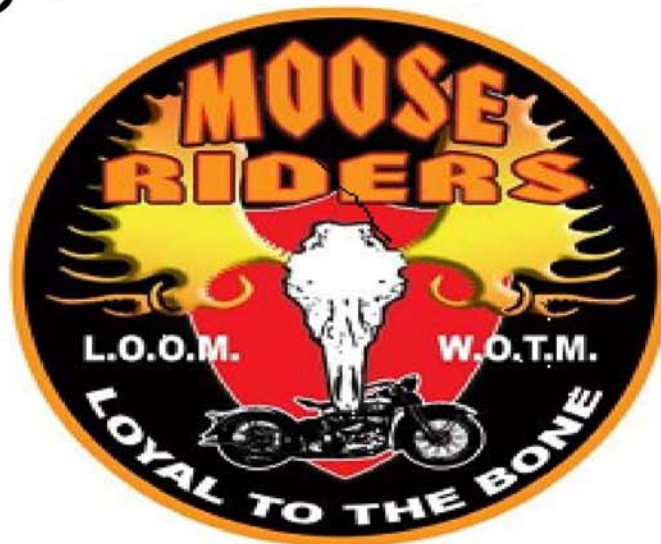
Attention all Moose Riders

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

**Pledges
due by
February 15,
2011**



**Funds
due by
March 15,
2011**

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.

Dorr Michigan Riders Support Local Charity

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Pictured are Mary Barnes (Project Hope Director) accepting our annual donation along with her co-workers.

Editor's Note:

Phyllis sent this to me for the October issue, but time constraints prevented me from fitting it in. I'm sorry guys—I didn't mean to leave you out.

2010 3rd Annual Moose Riders Shakedown Run

Early June was our 3rd Poker Run. We were close to 100 participants and the weather could not have been more perfect. We are proud to have been able to continuously support one of our local charities.

Each year we have donated the proceeds to Project Hope. Project Hope merged with the Annetta Jansen's Ministry in 1994. Annetta Jansen began her ministry in the 1950s as a labor of love to help individuals and families with needs in her community. She shared food and clothing, as well as offered a cup of coffee and a prayer to all who came to her door.

Annetta was diagnosed with cancer in 1996 and could no longer continue the ministry. The first Project Hope Annetta Jansen Ministry Center opened its doors in 1997 just 3 months after Annetta went home to be with her Lord.

Phyllis Johnson, Dorr Michigan



Wishing all Moose Riders, Friends, and Family sunny skies, awesome roads, and a safe cruise through this holiday season.

FROM THE RIDERS OF the Dorr Lodge in Michigan

Alabama**Alaska****Arizona****Arkansas***California***Colorado***Connecticut***DELAWARE***Florida**Georgia****Hawaii*****IDAHO***Illinois***INDIANA***Iowa**Kansas**Kentucky***Louisiana****MAINE***Maryland***Massachusetts***Michigan***MINNESOTA***Mississippi**Missouri***MONTANA***Nebraska***NEVADA****NEW HAMPSHIRE****New Jersey****NEW MEXICO****New York***North Carolina***NORTH DAKOTA****OHIO***Oklahoma**Oregon**Pennsylvania***RHODE ISLAND***South Carolina***SOUTH DAKOTA***Tennessee**Texas***UTAH****Vermont***Virginia**Washington***WEST VIRGINIA***Wisconsin***Wyoming**

Hello . . .

Are You Out There??

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!

Does your Moose Association have a Moose Rider State Chairman? Does your Lodge have a Moose Rider activity group? If so, please help us with our census by answering the questions below by emailing us back at:

FBMAnews@yahoo.com.

Please pass this along to other groups who may not be on the Pipes emailing list.

- 1. What State are you in and do you have a State Moose Riders Association?**
- 2. Where is your Lodge located and what is the Lodge name and number?**
- 3. How many Moose Riders do you currently have?**
- 4. How many are women and how many are men?**
- 5. Who is the best person to contact for additional information and what is the email address?**

(All contact information will be kept confidential and used strictly for Moose Riders purposes.)

—A busy few months

It's Been "Kickstands" Up for Texas Riders

The last few months have been very busy, with Thanksgiving and then onto Christmas. We have definitely had our time on the road.

We had a run to Hico, Texas, to Billy the Kid's burial site and off to the Horny Toad Bar and Grill—what a place!

(We rode with the Patriot guards bringing the Viet Nam Veterans Moving Wall to Killeen, TX, and then we supported the Patriot Guards Funeral of a fallen Soldier.

We rode in the Toy Run

for Bell County and the Tri-County toy run. It was about 40 degrees when we left Copperas Cove and went to the Killeen Harker Heights Moose Lodge for a general membership meeting and breakfast before the Toy Run.

Every Tuesday we try to get a bunch together for Taco Tuesday's at Rosa's. We fi-



C2 Riders had the honor of riding with Patriot's Guard

nally got a child to sponsor from Mooseheart, so we are very excited over that. The elections are coming up in December so we will have all new faces in the positions here at C2 Moose Riders. We want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year. **God Bless all of you.**—C2 Moose Riders



C2 Riders take part in Bell County Toy Run



Moose Riders check out Horny Toad Bar & Grill



Riders pose at the Billy the Kid Burial Site

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Welcome Thunder Mountain Moose

New Arizona Group Aids Local Charities

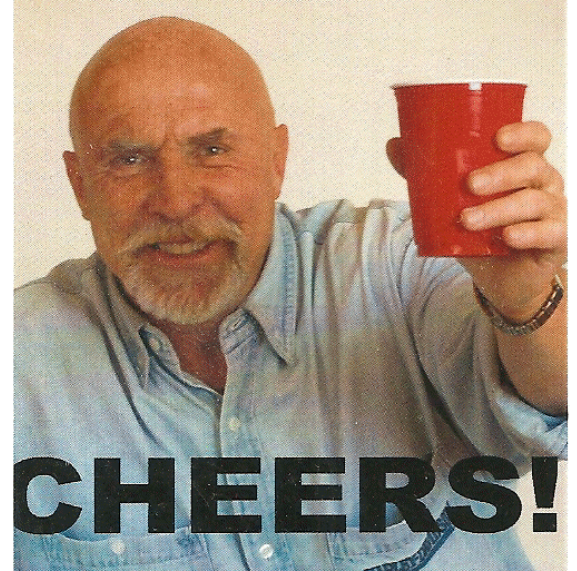
Hello from Thunder Mountain Moose Riders in Tucson, Arizona!

We were formed on 10/10/10 with 19 riders. We now have almost 40 riders in just 2 months. We had our First Annual Southern Arizona Moose Bike Run on November 6th, 2010 in which we raised over \$1000 for local charities! That was great!

On Veteran's Day, November 11th, 2010, we suddenly and tragically lost our Sergeant at Arms, Dear Friend and Moose Rider, John Lauther. He was in a motorcycle accident on the way back from the Veteran's Day Parade in Tucson. It was a hard loss for a lot of people, for a lot of different reasons. John served in the Navy for 21 years and retired with the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

After retiring from the military, he was a contract Federal investigator. John graduated from Salpoint High School and the University of Arizona. He was engaged to Cheryl Adams, an active member of our own Women of the Moose Chapter. John's death sent a shockwave through the Lodge and our riders. In the end, I think it strengthened all of us. John will be in our hearts and minds forever. Our condolences go out to Cheryl and John's brother, Tom Lauther.

Our next Thunder Mountain Moose Rider Bike run, The Polar Moose Run, will be on January 29th, 2011. If any other Moose Rid-



IN MEMORIAM JOHN LAUTHER

ers would like to join us in our beautiful and warm Arizona State for the Polar Moose Run, please contact David Anderson at dvinvestments@q.com for more information or call David at 520-990-0467. We would love to see you all there! The Polar Moose Run will benefit Mooseheart and Therapeutic Riding Of Tucson (T.R.O.T.).

We love being part of the Moose Riders Family. Fraternally—*David Anderson*
Secretary, Thunder Mountain Moose Riders #2475



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New Hampshire Moose Riders Make a Big Impression

First-Ever Bikefest Draws over 100 Bikes in Newport

Newport, New Hampshire, Lodge #1236 announces the formation of its very own Chapter of Moose Riders!

The town of Newport is Located in the upper Connecticut River Valley of western NH. Our Lodge has a membership of approximately 350 with a WOTM Chapter of 139.

Beginning in April of 2010, The Newport NH Moose Family Center # 1236 was pleasantly surprised when a small group of friends got together and formed the NEWPORT MOOSE RIDERS. The NMR, which now boasts 18 members, literally hit the ground running! **As a way of** introducing themselves to the Lodge and the surrounding community, the NMR hosted several dinners which were very well received. As news of

the group's formation began to spread, a number of Bikers from our neighboring Lodges and other Motorcycle groups in the area began to appear at our events.

Although together for only a small amount of time, the NMR began planning what would turn out to be one of the biggest events our little Lodge had ever seen. On July 31st of 2010 the Newport Moose Family Center was host to its first ever BIKEFEST!

This was an all day and evening event featuring 5 bands, a Bikini Bike wash, Bike Show (with prizes awarded in several categories) and a delicious BBQ prepared and served by the Moose Legion and the WOTM. Over 100 Bikers descended on our Lodge as well as many other members and their guests from our neighboring Lodges for a day of fun that none would soon forget!

Because of our continued efforts both in our Lodge and the community, we were recognized by the Veterans group "Rolling Thunder Inc." (A group concerned with POW/MIA issues) and were asked to participate as Road Guards for their annual RIDE for the FALLEN.

As we continue to evolve and grow we expect to hold and be involved in many more such events.



Over 100 bikes from the area showed up for Newport's First-ever Bikefest

As always our focus is our Lodge, our Community, Mooseheart and Moosehaven and with that intent we will continue to ride towards our goals! LIVE TO RIDE, RIDE TO GIVE!

On November 13th we are holding our first dinner/dance to help in funding the Laptop project (L.I.F.E.). Also we will be hosting Dinner in our lodge once a month. Keep abreast of all our activities by going on our Facebook page (Newport Moose Riders) or by checking the calendar at our Lodge website. Newportmoose.com

—Rich Cortese, President NMR, 2nd yr Trustee, Newport Moose Family Center #1236



Newport Moose Rider VP Al Burnett checks out some bikes.

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—From the Mighty Mississippi!

D'Iberville, MS, Moose Riders on L.I.F.E. Support List



The D'Iberville, Mississippi, Moose Riders Club have stepped up to the plate and raised \$500.00 for the L.I.F.E. Laptop Program for the graduating seniors at Mooseheart.

Above is a photo of their Moose Riders in front of the D'Iberville Moose Lodge with

their "Big" check. Oh behalf of Mooseheart graduating class, *Pipes*, and Moose Riders across the country, we would like to thank the D'Iberville Riders for their generosity. —Editor

Anderson Moose Veterans Host POW-MIA Memorial

The Anderson, SC, Moose Lodge participated in a POW-MIA memorial on November 20th. Moose Riders welcomed a local veterans motorcycle club who performed a flag raising ceremony to honor troops who are prisoners of war or missing in action.

Prior to the flag raising, a symbolic ceremony took place inside the Lodge. It featured a red rose in a vase and a single slice of lemon on a plate. The rose symbolizes blood sacrificed defending our freedom and the lemon signifies the bitter fate of those lost.

Many members of the Anderson Lodge are veterans and this ceremony encouraged camaraderie among all veterans in the community. The ceremony was written up in the *Independent Mail* and featured many photos of the ceremony and the Lodge. —Editor

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Moose and MCs helping each other to help others

Bullhead City Moose Riders Host Largest Event in Their 3 Year History.



Arizona Riders raise \$1200 for We Care Cancer Center

bikes participate. The difference between this run and last can be attributed to two things: first, we changed venues for the end party to a local bar that had ample room to handle the crowd and a band. Sign up was at our lodge and a \$5.00 breakfast was available for all hungry bikers. The lodge sold over 80 breakfasts that day (40 is the usual norm). Second, we reached out to the local motorcycle clubs, with two out of four showing up. With a huge raffle and 50/50, we managed to raise \$1200 that day for the cause and everyone had a great time. **We received a lot of press** after the run, which brings me to the next topic.

After all the publicity from the "We Care Run", one of the MCs that attended our run was looking for a hall to host the "Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs" meeting. The Confederation has a membership of over 40 motorcycle clubs from all over Arizona and rotate their monthly meetings all over the state. One of their members approached our Lodge administrator about letting them meet there. The administrator, not knowing anything about the ACMC, left it up to me as Moose Riders president, to make the call. I could think of no better way to introduce

In the last article for Pipes, I mentioned how we were licking our wounds from a poor turnout for "The Run for Kids". Well our wounds are healed. Our poker run for the "We Care Cancer Support Center" was a huge success.

We sold over 115 poker hands and had close to 100

the Moose Riders to another segment of the motorcycle community.

On November 6th, approximately 125 bikers from all over the state attended the meeting at our Lodge. The hosting club had a BBQ out back, to raise money for their upcoming local Christmas Toy Run. All Lodge members were encouraged to participate. A few Lodge members in the bar that day raised eyebrows as about 6 members of a club came in—not one under 6' 5" tall. They probably were the most cordial of the group, carrying on conversations with several non-rider Lodge members. At the end of the day, not one Moose member could say anything negative about the event or the people who attended. Needless to say, the social quarters made a lot of money that day.

When the event ended, several bikers asked if they could help set the dining room back up for the Moose dinner crowd, which they did. The best part of this day for me was that it changed the way several of our regular Moose members now look at bikers.

That same morning of the ACMC meeting, the Moose Riders participated in the Veteran's Day Parade.

Now we will move on to plan for our 3rd annual "Sweetheart Run" in February. We will be raising money for our \$500 pledge to Mooseheart for computers for the graduating class of 2011.

Ride safe everyone,

Joe Monfredo

President, BHC Moose Riders



Riders participate in the annual Veterans Day Parade

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—It's all about the kids

Ohio Riders Make it a Happy Holiday in Pickaway County



Pictured left to right Floyd Woolever Lodge Governor, Jim (Chicken) Morrison, Joe Williams PICCA, Lynne Stumbo, Tom Plemens, Sabrina Colburn and Mike Roeder.

Circleville Moose Riders and the Sam Stumbo Memorial Run donated \$1500.00 to Pickaway County Toys For Tots to help make this a brighter Holiday for children in Pickaway County.

experiences, meet and make new friends, and cover a lot of open road. For more information on how to join, contact the Circleville Moose Lodge.

The Circleville Moose Riders support various local, state, and international charities from the proceeds of various runs and events. We have a lot of fun, new

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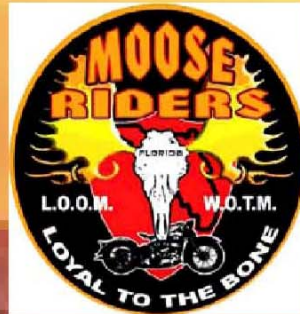
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1st ANNUAL FBMA 2011 Spring Motorcycle Rally GET AWAY WEEKEND



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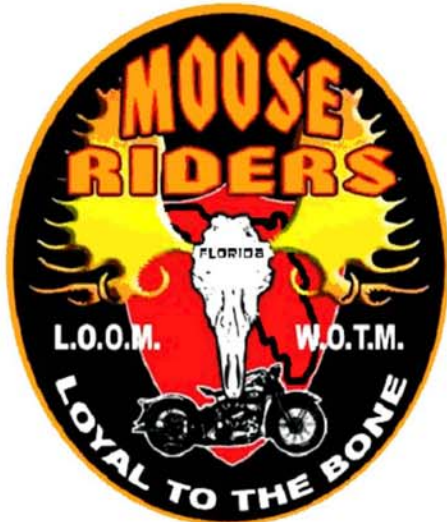
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Message from Florida's Moose Riders Chairman—

Let's Follow Tiny's Lead and Achieve His Moose Rider Goals



Gary Mundorf

Moose Riders, first of all, I just want to say something important. In light of some recent developments, I'm really proud that Moose Riders are following not only Moose Rider guidelines, but also FBMA and International rules, sometimes even better than Lodges or Districts. We take what we do seriously and will not tolerate any Moose Rider whose behavior is not consistent with Moose standards. It is up to us to manage our membership and confirm that Moose Riders are about helping our charities first and working within Moose bylaws. With that in mind, at our next Board meeting we will be looking at the Vice Chairman spot and talk about expanding the board to 2 "regional" vice chairman. Florida is a big state and I'm thinking we need people in the North, South and Center of the state to be available to visit Moose Rider groups and help out with questions and problems.

Tiny's goals will be a priority for me as the new State Chairman. Tiny wanted to work more with communities and fellow riders to build relationships with them. I will continue to build bridges and mend them where needed. I would hope that all Moose Riders would be behind me on this and step up to the plate when it comes to maintaining our standards and abiding by our guidelines and those of the Moose Fraternity.

I want to stress also the importance of renewing state membership and forwarding your dues to Yvonne. Money raised through donations for dues and patches is not really earmarked for anything, so when tragedy strikes like it did when we lost Mark, we can help out a fellow Moose Rider's family immediately. Also, make sure you do your Chairman's reports the right way and that you submit them when they are due.

Remember, if it's not recorded, we don't get credit for the event or the funds or the community service. Try to keep good records and fill out those reports. If you do a

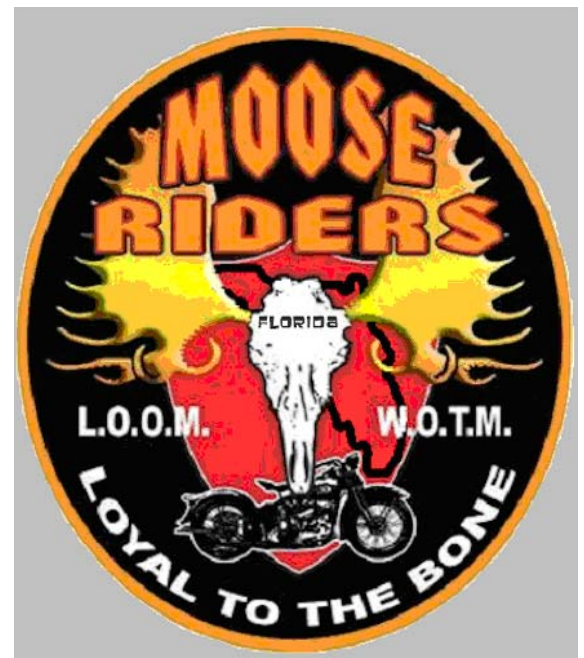
local fundraiser, send Yvonne a copy of the check and let her know what it is for. If you do this your Lodge or District will get credit.

Board Members and District Chairs, I look forward to seeing all of you at Merritt Island for the "Spring" Board meeting on January 22 at 1:00 PM.

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Keith Delano and I are looking forward to the rally next year in South Florida. We're already on it . . . planning and getting stuff done for it. We'll keep you updated on that.

Hope to see everyone in Cocoa Beach for the Getaway. There are registration forms in this issue of Pipes. Maybe each Lodge group could think about donating a bottle or a pledge of some kind to make sure we have more than enough refreshments for everyone—after all, everything is included, so it won't cost you much once you're there. Remember, it's all about having a good time AND raising money while we do it. Gina's got a lot of things planned for the weekend, so don't forget to mark your calendar and register for the getaway. —*Gary Mundorf, Chairman, FBMA Moose Riders*



Featured Rider . . .

Meet Merritt Island Moose Rider Nancy Marks



I was born into a family of motorcycle enthusiasts. Nearly all my life was spent as a passenger until 2004, when I took the Florida Motorcycle Safety Course.

My first motorcycle was a used Kawasaki Vulcan 750. In '07, I bought a Harley 1200 and have traveled over 11,000 joyous miles on my Sporty. The longest road trip I've ever made was 700 miles with a group of 12 women.

My favorite and most frequent ride from Cocoa Beach is South on A1A to Orchid/Vero Beach, West over the Indian River on Wabasso Causeway to US1 North through Sebastian, Melbourne and then east back over the Pineda Causeway to A1A.

Round trip is 90 miles of beautiful ocean and rivers views, not to mention with a detour or two: you'll find several Moose Lodges along the route. Next time you come to the Space Coast, give this route a try. I highly recommend it! – Nancy



Moose Riders Calendar—Winter 2011

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Florida Moose Rider Events

- January 22—Board Meeting, Merritt Island Lodge
- February 6—Superbowl Sunday
- March 4-13—Daytona Bike Week
- March 15—Laptop donations due
- March 18-20—Moose Riders Getaway—Cocoa Beach

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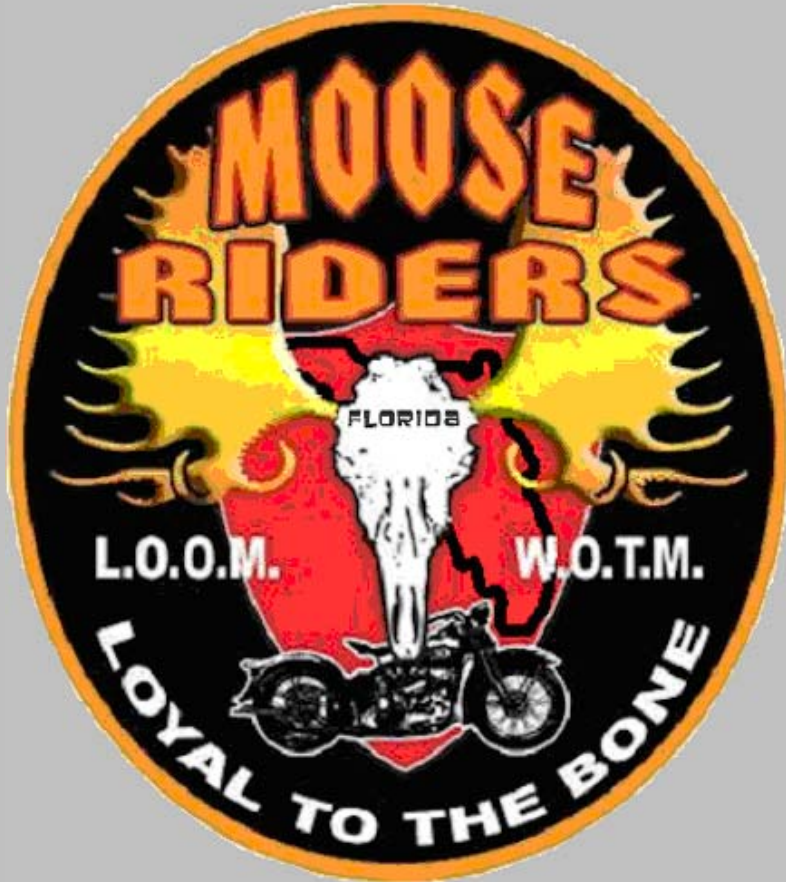
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