

Cruisin' News

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Looking Down The Road...

A letter from the Director...

It's February and it's freezing out, the days are short and the skies are gray, in other words I'm just plain miserable! So I guess it's time to liven things up a bit, it sounds like a great time to have a party. And the best way to party is with a lot of our American Legion Rider brothers and sisters. There appears to be a cure to what's ailing me and also many of you.

On Sat., Feb.2 there are about 20 riders from our chapter going to Willard, Ohio for a Bikers Ball. Anyone else wanting to go contact me (Johnny B) for more info. Also on Sat., Feb.16, the Holt post is hosting an American Legion Riders Winter Get Together in Lansing, anyone wanting to go contact Dr. Bob for more info. Saving the best for last, our very own chapter is hosting a 50's Dinner/Dance on March 8th, this dance is open to all so bring as many friends as you want. We will be serving a catered meal at the dance. We will be selling only 200 tickets. All tickets must be purchased in advanced for \$12.00, there will be NO tickets sold at the door. For tickets or more info contact Pam (Lips), or anyone else on the committee.

So for anyone that's trying to shake the winter blues, please come join us at any one or all of the parties, or you can stay home and complain that it's too cold to ride and there's nothing to do.

Again, I would like to thank all of last years officers for a job well done. We had a very big year and accomplished quite a bit, we couldn't have done it without you.

Dave Spiteri - Assistant Director

Dr. Bob - Run Coordinator

Kathy Spisz -Treasurer

Diane Kaledas - Secretary

Nancy Bowman - Historian

Donna Spiteri - Storekeeper

Pat Babcock - Membership Chairman/
Editor

And now I want to welcome our new officers for 2008 :

Asst. Director - Dave Spiteri

Run Coordinator - Pam Globke

Treasurer - Kathy Spisz

Secretary - Diane Kaledas

Historian - Bob McAdams

Storekeeper - Donna Spiteri

Membership Chairman/ Editor - Rob Shaw

I'm looking forward to working with all of you, I'm sure were going to have another great year!

SEMPER FI, JOHNNY B.



If you would like to have some information posted about an upcoming event, or would like to contribute an article or just give

some well deserved kudos to someone. E-mail us at
newsletter@AmericanLegionRiders.net



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MILE MARKERS

- **ALR General Membership Meeting 7 Feb 7 pm**
- **Ladies Night Out 21 Feb**

BIRTHDAYS IN FEBRUARY:

- Pam "lips" Globke, 2-Feb
- Juanita Price, 9-Feb
- Gina Grimm 21-Feb
- Darrin "Cowboy" Titus 23-Feb
- Edward Hursh 27-Feb
- Howard Behr 29-Feb

Editors Rants

I hope this issue finds everyone doing well after the holiday festivities. If you haven't heard already, there has been a changing of the guard with regards to the newsletter. I welcome you to my first ever attempt at publishing of a newsletter. Bobcat has taken a well deserved rest from the publication of this newsletter. My heartfelt thanks go out to Bobcat for all the hard work he has put into this publication, and the organization in general. THANKS PAT, it is truly remarkable the transformation you have given this newsletter and I hope I can do it half as well. So bear with me as I stumble my way through this.

As you've probably already

read there is a get together on February 2 at the Willard post in Ohio. There will be music, food, drinks, and bikers. Sounds like a party to me. Or a least a good episode of COPS. The Willard ALR has asked that everyone bring a canned good to help out their food drive, attend if you can, it will be a good time. Contact loftyhd@yahoo.com for more information..

If you would like to have some information posted about an upcoming event, or would like to contribute an article or just give some well deserved kudos to someone. E-mail or call me

As always I wish the best for you and yours.

Robert Shaw

POST SCRIPT:

As always we encourage our members who are also Legion members of the American Legion Post 396 to attend the regular legion meetings. We are attempting to get our ALR officers a little recognition on the back wall. At the next meeting there will be a motion to grant space for the names of the ALR officers to be placed alongside the rest of our Legion officers, please attend if you can and make your voice heard.

It's Renewal Time!

It's that time of year again: That happy time when the membership chairman nags you to renew your membership!

With the availability of Legion/SAL/ALA cards for 2008 comes the availability of the newly designed ALR cards for 2008. Once you've renewed your Legion family membership, you can renew your ALR membership as well. Neat!

Here are the requirements to renew:

- If you're a *SPECIAL CLASS LIFE MEMBER*, or a *SUP-*

PORTING MEMBER, you need only complete a Member Data Form (enclosed, available on the website, or ask Rob "The Sheik" Shaw for one) and show your 2008 Legion/SAL/ALA card.

- If you're a *SPECIAL CLASS MEMBER* under bylaws paragraphs IIA1 or IIA2, you need to complete a Member Data Form, show your 2008 Legion family membership card, and submit \$12.00 dues.
- If you're a *REGULAR MEMBER*, you need to complete a Member Data

Form, show your 2008 Legion family membership card, show your motorcycle **registration** (if you are a member's spouse, the spouse owning the motorcycle must renew as well in order for you to renew), and submit \$12.00 dues.

If you need an additional Member Data Form, they are available on our web site, or see Rob Shaw at the next meeting.

Be sure to visit
http://AmericanLegionRiders.net/gc_mi_alr
 for Member Data Forms, Newsletters, and more!

Lips Corner



Hello Riders,

We had our first social night on Sat. Jan. 19, 2008 at the Allen Park Legion 409. Ray Gilbert (S.A.L. Commander & 16th District S.A.L. Commander) had food for us and it was a fun evening with 13 people showing up. Our next social night will be at the Livonia Post 32 at 7:00P.M. Sat. Feb. 23,2008. Sorry we haven't had our first Group Run for 2008 due to bad weather. Hopefully we will have it soon. Please don't forget our 50's dance on Sat. March 8, 2008 (it's open to everyone 21 yrs.& older). This is our group function for our charity fund and I hope everyone supports our

event..For tickets see Carlene,Lenny, Marv, John & Nancy Bowman and Coach or call me at 313-292-3877

God Bless and Ride Safe

Lips (Pam Globke)
Run Coordinator/Sgt of Arms

Texas Hold-Em




There is a Texas Hold-em poker night planned for 26-Jan. (I know its late just trying to get the info out there) At the Sport Venue Bar and Grill. 6327 Middlebelt Rd. Garden city, MI. 48135. Buy in is \$50.00. registration starts at noon, play begins at 2:00pm. Come on out and Show everyone your poker face. These are a lot of fun and help support our Ladies Auxiliary charity fund. Call 734-525-3134 to reserve a seat. Thanks for your support.

Dual Membership Notice

Per the amendment to our by-laws voted in at the 3 February 2005 meeting of our Chapter, you will not be allowed to renew your membership with our Chapter if you intend to hold membership in any other Chapter of the ALR.

Note that revocation of your membership in our Chapter will occur if dual membership

is disclosed or discovered following renewal. This revocation will not precipitate a refund of dues paid for 2008. 



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Contact the editor if *anything* is
wrong—name as displayed, address,
etc. *Thanks!*

Read this online at
http://americanlegionriders.net/gc_mi_alr



Sick Call

Stormy Reynolds is now at home and is
looking forward to your calls and visits!
God Bless Stormy, we love and miss you.



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The Runs...

Biker Events In and Around our Area...

*As in the past, be sure to follow
up on these events before at-
tending. We do our best to en-
sure the dates, location and
contact info are accurate, but
mistakes are easily made and
hardly corrected...*

26 Jan—Texas Hold-Em at
Sports Venue Bar & Grill

2 Feb—Bikers Ball,
Willard OH

7 Feb—Regular
Meeting

21 Feb—Ladies'
Night Out

6 Mar—Regular Meeting

8 Mar—50's Dance

20 Mar—Ladies' Night Out

3 Apr—Regular Meeting

17 Apr—Ladies' Night Out

1 May—Regular Meeting

15 May—Ladies' Night Out

23-26 May—Rolling Thunder—Washington,
DC

5 Jun—Regular Meeting

19 Jun—Ladies' Night Out

3 Jul—Regular Meeting

17 Jul—Ladies' Night Out

7 Aug—Regular Meeting

21 Aug—Ladies' Night Out

29-31 Aug—Heartland Romp—National
ALR Gathering in Marshalltown, IA—
<http://www.iowalegionriders.org/2008Romp.html>

4 Sep—Regular Meeting

18 Sep—Ladies' Night Out

2 Oct—Regular Meeting

16 Oct—Ladies' Night Out

6 Nov—Regular Meeting

20 Nov—Ladies' Night Out

2 Dec—Christmas Lights Run

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