

Cruisin' News

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Looking Down The Road...

I have to start this newsletter with some sad news, I've just received word that our Past Post Commander, Bob Dinell has passed on. Bob was a friend of mine for many years and was dedicated to the American Legion Post #396. Bob was Rider friendly, and worked with the Riders through many of our accomplishments, he will be truly missed. Please take time to say a prayer for him and his family. God bless you Bob.

I want to thank everyone that helped with the poppy sales, you all did a fantastic job. Next year, with a little more help and a lot more poppy's, we can do even better. We will have a full report at the meeting. I also want to thank all of us that got up well before the break of dawn to welcome home the troops. It was an awesome site to see, with all the bikers, police, family, friends, and well wishers there to honor and welcome these fine men and women home.

We write out our newsletter articles about mid-month, so you can get them before the meeting. So as I'm writing this the Memorial Day Parade hasn't happened yet. I know that it will be a success as will the after party at Dr. Bob and

Mouse's house. I also hope everyone that went to Rolling Thunder had a great time and returned home safe.

Well it's June and the best riding days of the year are finally here. Let's try to get out, as a group, and do some riding and partying together. I know we all have busy schedules and a lot to do, but please save a little time to have some fun with the Chapter. You'll find out that most of us are a lot of fun to hang with. Life is to short, for all work and no play. Well that's all that I have for now, and I hope to see you all at the meeting.

**SEMPER FI,
JOHNNY B.**



We Honor Tom Sherman

I don't know if everyone knew Tom Sherman, he was a member of the Melvindale ALR Chapter. He and his wife Mama Jan are Honorary Members there, they drove the van with the ALR emblem on the side of the door and usually showed up at various functions and always helped out wherever they could. Well Tom passed away May 4th, in his home. There was a memorial service for him at St Marks United Church of

Christ, and it was great to see the turnout by all the local ALR chapters to remember, celebrate, and honor a fellow Legion Rider, and dear friend. Thanks to Porkchop, and the members of the Melvindale chapter for notifying and arranging a ride to the church. Please keep Jan in your prayers and offer up a toast to Tom, who I know is in a better place, smiling down on all of us



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MILE MARKERS

ALR General Membership meeting 5 June 7:00pm

Ladies Night Out 19 June

BIRTHDAYS IN

June:

Pat Squires, 4
Rick 'Crash' Leonard, 5
Bill 'Polka Bill' Kaledas, 6
Tony Hancotte 9
Kirk McMahan 11
Lenny Butkiewicz, 18
Steve 'Slammin Sammy' Miracle 20
Sue 'B.O.B.' Borrusch, 23
Jerry 'The Mayor' Robinson, 29

Editors Rant

May has brought some sad news. I'm sure by now everyone has heard about Past Post Commander Bob Dinells passing. I didn't know Bob extremely well, but I respect his devotion of time and effort in helping post 396 grow and operate as smoothly as it has. He will be missed by many of us, and his absence will definitely be felt by all, god bless Bob. The ALR also lost a great supporter in Tom Sherman, and I lost a dear friend.

Well, Memorial Day has come and gone. Thanks to all who showed up to the Wayne parade. The party at Docs afterward was outstanding, I'll post up some pics next month. I would like to congratulate a few of our riders who have taken an active role in the Legion Business at our post. Congratulations to Mike Globke for his election to the executive board and appointment

to adjutant. Congratulations to Johnny B. for his appointment to the executive board also.

Pam has put together a couple of nice runs in June and July and should have some further information at our June meeting. Also don't forget the camp out is coming up fast July 18-20. If you've never been, I HIGHLY recommend attending this party. Hagrid should have some more info for me and I will get it out in the July news letter. Also there is a really cool run being put on by the Downriver guys in July, see the information below.

The Iron Butt run went of smoothly until about the 468 mile mark. That's when yours truly burned out his stator, battery, and voltage regulator. For some reason the bike wont run without electricity. Well , three hours later, and a pouch full of

gold lighter, I left the harley barn in Effingham, Il and was back on the road. But some delays and a slight navigational error in Indy put me in Ft.Wayne at 11:30pm with rain coming down and 200 more wiles to go. It just wasn't gonna happen for me so I'll be trying this another day over the summer.

Well that's really all I have to talk about today, hope everyone has a great memorial day. And don't forget to include our troops and veterans, especially those who are still MIA in your prayers.

All the best

Robert SR Shaw

Northern Exposure Run

July 25 - 27

Melvindale to Sault St Marie

\$10.00 a person

Proceeds to go to Michigan VA Hospital

Ride starts with breakfast at post 472 7:00am

Leave post 472 at 9:00am to Indian River

Lodging reserved at Holiday Inn Express

Saturday ride to Sault ST Marie and Tahquamenon Falls.

Sunday ride back to Melvindale

For more in fo contact Randy 734-497-1967

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



Lips Corner



Some up coming rides to be aware of.

Rally in HELL

June 8, \$20.00 per rider. For more info go to:
www.midwestwheelsofhope.com/

Frankenmuth Parade

June 15, 2008 (Sun) (info at meeting)

Brunch run to Zukey Lake Tavern.

June 22, 2008 (Sun)
 Meet at Garden City post at 9:30 A.M.

Run to the North Wall XIII

July 6. For more info go to :
www.northwallridersassociation.pico.com

God Bless and Ride Safe

Lips (Pam Globke)
 Run Coordinator/Sgt of Arms

American Legacy Run

Indianapolis to Phoenix

August 17-21

\$35.00 per rider

Late registration and road captain orientations at Wayne American Legion Post 64, 601 S. Holt Road, Indianapolis, IN 46241 on Saturday, August 16, 2008.

- Saturday, August 16 – Pre-Run Rally- Indianapolis, IN
- Sunday, August 17- Indianapolis to Saint Robert (Ft. Leonard Wood) MO
- Monday, August 18- St. Robert, MO to Oklahoma City, OK
- Tuesday, August 19- Oklahoma City, OK to Tucumcari, NM
- Wednesday, August 20- Tucumcari, NM to Gallup, NM
 Thursday, August 21- Gallup, NM to Phoenix/Tempe, AZ

For more information contact Bill Sloan, run coordinator, at wsloan@legion.org or call 317-630-1265

Heartland Romp

August 29-31 2008

Central Iowa

Fair Grounds

Marshalltown, Iowa

Vendors, Bands, Events

Come out to the Heartland Romp and meet some old friends from around the country, and make some new ones.

Free camping available on grounds. Limited electrical hook ups. Showers available.

Local legion post owns golf course, bring your clubs!
 Iowa is helmet free and apple pie friendly.

For registration and hotel information go to:


www.iowalegionriders.org/2008Romp.html



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. 



STORE NEWS

The store is no longer carrying any Rider clothes. As of the May meeting all clothes were either sold at a discounted price or donated to Veterans Haven. This was done by a motion and a membership vote. Thanks to all who purchased stuff.

The store still carries hats, flags, rockers and patches. We should have at the June meeting the order of large and small ALR patches and the veterans rockers. Sorry for not having these things in stock, but permission has to be given by the membership, to order these things.

See you at the June meeting,

Donna



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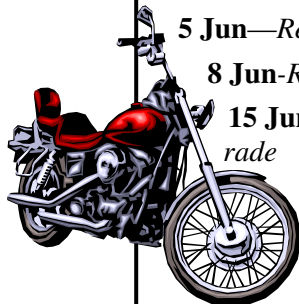
Stormy Reynolds is now at home and is
looking forward to your calls and visits!
God Bless Stormy, we love and miss you.



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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
rarely corrected...*

5 Jun—Regular Meeting

8 Jun-Rally in Hell

15 Jun-Frankenmuth Pa-
rade

19 Jun—Ladies'
Night Out

22 Jun-Zukey Lake

3 Jul—Regular Meet-

ing

12 Jul-Post Picnic

17 Jul—Ladies' Night Out

25-26 Jul-Northern Exposure

7 Aug—Regular Meeting

21 Aug—Ladies' Night Out

17-21 Aug-American Legacy Run

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

4 Dec—Regular Meeting

6 Dec—Chapter Christmas Party

18 Dec—Ladies' Night Out

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