



The Shadow Writer February, 2019

Official Newsletter of the
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A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

Well, here we are in our least favorite time of year again. With rain falling and the temps holding around the freezing mark its kind of hard to be upbeat about the riding season. As I've told myself every year in the past: "I will appreciate this riding season more than any of the passed seasons". I find that as a biker I wish my life away 3 months at a time. If you think along the same lines that I do it helps to pick up an issue of one of your favorite motorcycle mags and just peruse the pages while sitting in the warmth of your home.

Starting your annual trip planning is another way we get through the winter. Andrea has already put together the Crawdad Days trip to Harrison, Arkansas and she's working with Randy and Dave Walters to put the finishing touches on the Canyons Trip. Sounds like 11 days of fun and awesome scenery. We'll be sure to take all kinds of pictures for the website and maybe some video to watch.

Speaking of annual trips: there's a good chance that I won't be going to Bikes, Blues, and Bar-B-Que this year. So, if someone would want to step up and take the lead on that trip I have all the route sheets that Lou put together that we've ridden for several years. Tony is planning on an extended Arkansas trip this year that will start on the weekend before the event if anyone would like to extend their visit. Dave Kelewae found an awesome campground if that's the way some of you like to travel. Make contact with some of the guys using the Buzz Book and make plans ahead of time. I'm not saying I definitely won't go but at this time I'm not making plans.

I've had many emails thanking Andrea and Sue for putting together this year's Holiday Party. I think that everyone who attended had a good time and the food was pretty great. When you see the girls let them know how much they're appreciated.

We're now working on finalizing the budget proposal for 2019 and I'll get a copy of that out to you before the meeting on the 26th. Be safe and keep warm.

John Geiler
President

Club Meeting (General Membership)

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month

The Sports Café, 3579 Penridge (West of St. Charles
Rock Road, North of I-270)

Next Meeting: February 26, 2019

Board meeting 30 minutes before regular meeting.

Sunday Gatherings

Sundays at 9:00 AM. We will alternate between Fuzzy's Taco in Old Orchard shopping center and the Golden Corral at 6110 S. Lindbergh. To keep our calendars updated: the February gatherings started at Fuzzy's Taco on Manchester on 2/03/19

January 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1 Meeting opened at 7:03PM

No new members were present. 1 guest, Bones from Hartbauer-McBride, was present.

John passed blank slips of paper to all members and instructed us to each vote for 2 of the 4 charities being considered. (Make-A-Wish, Hartbauer-McBride, Kaufman Fund, and Combat Hero Bike Build)

All officer nominees for the 2019 Board were running uncontested and were affirmed to their positions by a show of hands. The only change from the 2018 Board is James Stiebel (aka Flash) is replacing Ross McGovern as Safety Officer.

Although its the middle of Winter John mentioned "it's never too early" to get any rides you'd like to lead onto the club calendar.

Randy, Bob, and Andrea are planning a 2019 trip to Bryce Canyon in Utah and will release details as they become available. Additionally, they'll likely be planning a 2020 trip to Yellowstone.

Membership Chair, Jim Gianella, reported 1 new member joined in the past month. The new member's name is Katy Wilkes. We currently have 69, paid up, members. John had received word that Pete Hoyer, Cathy Noel, and Russ Davis will not be renewing this year.

Treasurer Tony Weaver provided a financial statement reporting the club took in \$724 in January and spent \$418.52.

It was Ross McGovern's last night as Safety Officer. He is going to help Jim get transitioned into the role. Ross received a round of applause for the fine job he's done in the position.

Webmaster Ted report Jim and he are working on a "payment gateway" for the purpose of paying club dues online.

Merchandising Chair, Andrea, has plenty of club merchandise for sale.

Ride for Wishes will be the weekend of Oct. 12 & 13.

Ira suggested the club do axe throwing as a Saturday Night Out event.

Dennis will be attending the 2019 Rolling Thunder motorcycle rally in Washington DC. 2019 is the last year this event will be held. <https://www.rollingthunderrun.com/>

Dennis is trying to get a MSF Experienced Riders Course scheduled for April 20 for Shadow Riders members. It would be a 1 day, 5 hour course, and cost approximately \$100. It would be on your own bike and held at Forest Park Community College.

Jim Stiebel will be camping at 2019 Bikes Blues & BBQ.

Ira is planning a trip to Branson, MO the 1st or 2nd week of June.

Bones stood up and personally thanked the Shadow Riders for our donation to Hartbauer-McBride. He mentioned that they are set up as a charity you can select on Amazon Smile and 5% of the price of anything you purchase on Amazon will be donated to Hartbauer-McBride at no additional cost to you.

Mike Hicks has \$158 worth of Big St. Charles gift cards he'd like to sell. Robin has \$100 worth of Big St. Charles gift cards she'd like to sell.

Charlie won \$36 in the 50/50

John announced he'd tally up the charity votes and send an email with the results out to the club.

Meeting ended at 7:33PM

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(Open Position), *Hartbauer McBride Liaison*

January Membership

Main Members	57
Significant Others	14
Juniors	2
Total	73

March Birthdays

- 03 - BOB BRYANT
- 05 - JOHN GEILER
- 20 - MICHAEL HICKS
- 22 - ED ACREE
- 24 - TED KOSKI
- 29 - SUNILDA ANDERSON; KEVIN BECK
- 30 - KATHY SCHMIDT
- 31 - MICHAEL ZINNA; JAMES ORTH

No February Anniversaries

Shadow Riders,

It's never too early to get your Sunday ride on the schedule. I'm getting ready to pick a couple of dates for my favorites and I hope others will too. Next month's newsletter calendar will have April's ride schedule and we'd rather not start out with "Open Ride". Only a few of us can't fill out the whole year's schedule. Participation keeps the Club strong. Let's see how fast we can fill the schedule this year. It doesn't take that much time to pick a ride; do a pre-ride sometime the week before; and print out some route sheets for the group leaders and drag bikes. Even if you can't lead the ride, if you've done all the other work then bring the route sheets on Sunday and somebody will take over and get 'er done.

We really need people to step up and help out with this task. Just talk to any of the Board members and they will guide you on whatever you need help on. Give us a call and let's help Flash have a great first year as Safety Officer.

Johnny G

Upcoming trips for 2019

Crawdad Day May 16-19
Andrea Geiler 314-401-3628

The last year for Rolling Thunder Ride to the Wall May 24-27
Dennis Meade 314-704-6958

Annual Branson Trip Middle of June
Ira Steuer 314-520-3504

Sturgis Motorcycle Rally August 2-11
Bob Mueller 314-315-1350

The Canyons Trip Sept. 4-Sept. 14
Andrea Geiler 314-401-3628

Bikes, Blues, and Bar-B-Que Sept. 26-29
Open to lead

Bike Count for January

Honda - 16 Harley - 21 Kawasaki - 12 Suzuki - 3 BMW - 4 Yamaha - 2 KTM - 2 Enfield - 1
Vento - 1 Big Dog - 1 CanAm - 1 Triumph - 1 Ducati - 1 Victory - 4 Polaris - 1 Ural - 2

Shadow Riders,

It's time to start making your trip plans for the year. Andrea has already started making the plans for the Crawdad Days in Arkansas which is a short 4-day trip just South of Branson; and an 11-day trip to the West to see Bryce Canyon; Pike's Peak; The Million Dollar Highway; and many other great National treasures. Follow the email chain and get involved. She puts together some great trips with some very cool places to stay with nice accommodations. (probably not as nice as Mojo's Inn in Akron, Colorado but you can't live the high-life all the time). See, if you've taken any long trips with us you'd get that last reference and you'd have a big smile on your face, except for Erin, she didn't enjoy the stay as much as the rest of us.

As you can tell by the references I make in the articles you're really missing out on great times if you haven't participated in any of our long Club trips. These are the times to be remembered. Nothing like sitting next to a blazing fire, at the end of a long riding day, made with antique relics that were "just laying around". I hope more of you will try out one of our extended trips and see what they're all about. I can promise you that you won't be sorry.

Until next time . . .

John

Shadow Riders Merchandise

Short Sleeve Shirt (Safety Yellow)

M, L or XL – \$14.00

XXL – \$15.00

XXXL – \$17.00

Long Sleeve Shirt (Ash Grey)

M, L or XL – \$17.00

XXL – \$18.00

XXXL – \$20.00

Hats

Black – \$11.00

Khaki – \$11.00

Patches

Large -\$31.00

Small – \$12.00

Rockers (2-styles) – \$10.00 (Currently free if you own a Large Patch or purchase a new Large Patch!)

4×4 Window Clings - \$3.00 ea.

No New members for January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Feb. 17 Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	Feb. 18	Feb. 19	Feb. 20	Feb. 21	Feb. 22	Feb. 23
Feb. 24 Breakfast at Golden Corral	Feb. 25	Feb. 26 Monthly Meeting Sports Cafe	Feb. 27	Feb. 28	March 1	March 2
March 3 Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7	March 8	March 9
March 10 Breakfast at Golden Corral	March 11	March 12	March 13	March 14	March 15	March 16
March 17 St. Patricks Day Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21	March 22	March 23

In Lieu of Rides and Events

Bike Bandit's
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Margee Kabak is selling her Harley. For all the information please follow the link below.

<https://stlouis.craigslist.org/mcy/6685188914.html>

Two pair of fringed chaps. Both seldom worn and in excellent condition. One is size XXI, and the other is 3XL (both adjustable) One is a 25 inseam and the other is 30 inseam. One has zipper down the sides and the other is all snaps so both can be trimmed shorter. I have a picture.

Peggy Phillips

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