

The Shadow Writer March, 2018

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A Letter from the President

Shadow Riders,

Okay, it's only a few weeks until the riding season and I'm ready to go. It's snowing outside right now but the way I see it, it's just getting all the moisture and cold out of the air so we'll have nice weather to ride in. You just gotta be positive!

I know it's early in the year but we will be looking for someone to organize the Summer Picnic for this year. I've only been with the club for 8 years but the picnic is always something I look forward to. Riding on Sunday is great but being able to sit down with all our friends and spend a little time is great. If anyone wants to step up I know that any of the previous organizers would be glad to give you some guidance if you haven't done this before.

Several of us are working on trips this year so everybody should have a chance to go somewhere with the Club. We've got Branson; The Wall; Ohio; BBB; Door County; Sturgis; HD's 115th anniversary celebration; as well as some weekenders that are put together randomly throughout the year.

We're going to try to do more Bike Nights at different places as a way of doing something together and to get some visibility for the Club. There seems to be a lot of them during the riding season that we aren't yet doing as a group. More on that later.

I hope that many of you are putting together the rides you want to do for this year. Be sure and get in touch with Ross so we can get them on the calendar. We can always go somewhere after we get together on Sundays but if folks know where to expect to go we always have a larger turnout. I'm just sayin'...

I'm looking forward to leading you all down to the Dew Drop Inn on April the 8th which will be our first ride of the year. Don't forget to knock the cobwebs off the bike before hitting the road and I'll see you soon. Also . . . Did you change your clocks yet???

John Geiler President

Club Meeting (General Membership)

7:00 pm, 4th Tuesday of the Month The Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge (West of St. Charles Rock Road, North of I-270)

Next Meeting: March 27, 2018

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 March 4th gathering was at Fuzzy's Taco in Old Orchard parking lot.

Shadow Riders meeting minutes - Feb. 27, 2018

Club president, John Geiler struck gavel at 7:01 PM signaling start of the meeting.

Outgoing Vice President Erin O'Donnell and Secretary Karen Johnston were thanked by John for their service to the club in 2017. John then welcomed incoming VP Randy Hendershot and incoming Secretary Tom Schaefer to the positions for 2018

Vice President Randy Hendershot had no report which was received by a resounding round of applause.

Membership chair Jim Gianella reported there are currently 79 total members. As a point of interest he noted at this same time last year the club had 93 members. Jim has 2018 membership pins available. Reach out to Jim Gianella directly to get your pin.

Treasurer Tony Weaver brought with him a very nice, formal, thank you letter he'd received from Hartbauer-McBride expressing gratitude to the Shadow Riders for our recent donation. Bones stood up and introduced himself as the new chairman for Hartbauer-McBride. It's his understanding that Robin is going to be stepping down as the liason from Shadow Riders so he is hoping we'll have a new liason soon. Bones said last year Hartbauer-McBride gave away over \$27,000.

Tony reported on our current financial statement. He pointed out the total expenditures made on the recent Holiday Party were \$1481.26 which is well below the \$2000 which had been budgeted. Kudos to Andrea for keeping costs down. Tony then presented a budget proposal for 2018. It is a balanced budget projecting 2018 income to be \$4020.00 and 2018 expenses to be \$4020.00. Mike made a motion to accept the budget as proposed. Mark seconded. The motion passed nearly unanimously with only a single objecting vote cast.

Safety Officer Ross McGovern reported our 2018 ride schedule is NOT filling up. April 1 is our first ride date of the season but no one has offered to lead it yet. If you have or can make time to lead a ride please contact Ross and schedule a date. Ross gave us a safety reminder that as we are coming out of winter do not simply pull your bike from the garage and start riding it. Do your maintenance checks first, especially tire pressure.

It was announced that Andrea Geiler will be taking over the merchandising position long held by Lisa Soucy. Thank you Andrea! Thank you Lisa! Andrea is trying to get a "ladies" t-shirt added to our merchandise selection.

Cliff Connoyer reported there will be a 2018 Ride for Wishes on June 10 but no other details are available vet.

Ira described a few ideas being considered for Saturday Night Out events. Shuttle tours to several Underground Railroad sites around Alton Illinois are being offered one Saturday a month through October. The tours are 2 hours in length and the next 3 dates are 3/24, 4/28, and 5/26. Cost is \$25 per person. It wouldn't exactly be a Saturday Night out event as the tours are at 10AM & 1PM. Here is an article with some additional detail: https://www.riverbender.com/articles/details/hop-on-the-underground-railroad-shuttle-tour-in-alton-26617.cfm

Other SNO events being considered are are a 50s & 60s dance instructor at Dorsett Inn and a dinner ride to a steak house or sea food restaurant.

Andrea updated us on a trip she's planning to Athens Ohio to ride the "Windy 9". The trip will be Saturday June16 thru Saturday June 23. Andrea is also working on our annual Bikes Blues & BBQ trip. She wants to be sure we have enough members committed to going to Ohio to secure a discount on the lodging. Also, she wants to know if people would rather pay a little more to stay closer into town for Bikes Blues & BBQ or stick with the normal, slightly cheaper, location.

Bob Mueller told us about a couple trips he'll be taking and welcomes additional Shadow Riders to join him. He's currently got a group of "7 or 8" people who will be attending Sturgis August 3 thru 11. He's staying at the Buffalo Chip. A 3 day pass is available for anyone who'd rather not spend the whole week. Bob, is also going to the Harley Davidson 115th Anniversary Celebration Aug. 29 thru Sept. 2 (Labor Day weekend) in Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Ed Acree announced former club member Jim Guyer had died Thursday February 22 due to a rare disorder, Prion Disease, which struck suddenly and ended his life within just a few short weeks. He'd recently retired and trailered his motorcycle to Phoenix AZ to spend Jan., Feb., March riding out in the sun. There will be a memorial service at a date to be determined. Ed ended with the message, "Life is short, if you're thinking about doing something you better do it".

Joe Kalal won \$35 in the 50/50 and donated it back to Hartbauer. John struck the gavel at 7:55PM to adjourn the meeting.

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February Membership

Main Members	63
Significant Others	17
Juniors	1
Total	81

April Birthdays (renewed members)

09 - ROBERT SCHOENBECK

No March Anniversaries

A Letter of "See You Later"

Good evening Jim and Andrea! (sent to Jim Gianella and Andrea Geiler)

It's been a long time since I last saw you and the rest of the Shadow Riders. A lot has happened with Anita and I since last summer. We got approval from our respective jobs to move out of state and work remotely. So, we sold our house and about half of our household stuff, sold one of our cars, lived in a hotel for two months until our renters moved out, and then moved ourselves to Florida and set up shop here. Many apologies for not connecting with you guys before now. It's been a whirlwind 5 months and counting. Nevertheless, if you or any of the Shadow Riders are ever coming anywhere near southwest Florida, please look me up. I'm still riding the Victory Cross Country and will continue until I can't swing a leg over it anymore. My phone number hasn't changed but my email is now: mtennialsr@gmail.com

Although we won't be renewing, we thoroughly enjoyed our membership and friendships in the Shadow Riders and wish you all the very best going forward. I like hearing about the trips you all are taking and look to the website to check it out every now and then. It would be great to connect up with you all on one of your outings in the southeast quarter of the country.

Thanks for reaching out and tell everyone that Anita and I said "Wassup! Ride safe and ride long!" :)

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Bike Count for February

Honda - 19 Harley - 29 Kawasaki - 10 Suzuki - 3 BMW - 1 Yamaha - 4 KTM - 3 Vento - 1 Big Dog - 1 CanAm - 1 Triumph - 1 Ducati - 1 Victory - 5 Polaris - 1 Ural - 1

Hello ShadowRiders,

It seems that warmer weather and the riding season is almost upon us! I am again trying to get the Sunday ride calendar put together, and I need your help! As I have described before, you can look at the calendar and pick any Sunday that you would like to select a destination... you can pick any of our regular destinations or pick a new one of your own desire. You do not have to lead a group on the ride... but the club's best-practice is that you ride (or drive) the route in advance to identify any issues. I have a "blank" ride-directions template if you want to design your own route. Send me an email for any help or to add a ride to the Calendar.

Also, be sure to get those maintenance items and pre-ride checks completed before the warm days are here and you want to take a ride!

Upcoming Rallies Across the Country

All of these events and the links to the details can be found on Cycle Fish @ https://www.cyclefish.com/motorcycle_events/browse/major/1

4/11/2018 - 4/15/2018

Arizona Bike Week 2018

Featured Event Featured Event! Motorcycle Rally -- updated 3 month(s) ago. Scottsdale, AZ

4/18/2018 - 4/22/2018

Angel City Spring Motorcycle Rally 2018

Featured Event Featured Event! Motorcycle Rally -- updated 3 week(s) ago. Unadilla, GA

4/25/2018 - 4/28/2018

Laughlin River Run 2018

Motorcycle Rally -- updated 8 month(s) ago. Laughlin, NV

4/27/2018 - 4/29/2018

Leesburg Bikefest 2018

Featured Event Featured Event! Motorcycle Rally -- updated 3 day(s) ago. Leesburg, FL

No New members for February

March/April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
March 18 Breakfast at Fuzzy's Taco	March 19	March 20	March 21	March 22	March 23	March 24
March 25 Breakfast at Golden Corral	March 26	March 27 Monthly Meeting at Sports Cafe	March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31
April 1 Easter Open (No ride)	April 2	April 3	April 4	April 5	April 6	April 7
April 8 Bloomsdale Dew Drop Inn	April 9	April 10	April 11	April 12	April 13	April 14
April 15 Open Ride	April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21

Rides and Events

March 17: This Saturday is Hartbauer/McBride's Trivia Night in Brentwood. See our website for details. Always fun!

April 1: We don't usually plan a ride on Easter Sunday but the Horseless Carriage Club of Missouri always has their "Rigs That Run" car show in Forest Park on that day. If some of you would like to organize a group and go to that Andrea and I have enjoyed it in the past. Their link is: http://hccmo.com/

April 8: Yours truly will be taking the Club on some of our favorites roads and also some new ones that I added last year to take us through the country to the Dew Drop Inn for a full menu of great down-home and bar-and-grill entries. It's going to be fun!

April 15: So far this is an open ride unless someone wants to give a little back to the Club and put a ride together for that day. "Participation is the key to longevity." John Geiler; circa 2018

Members' classified ads are free! Send to John Geiler at editor@shadowriders-stl.com or (636) 938-4299

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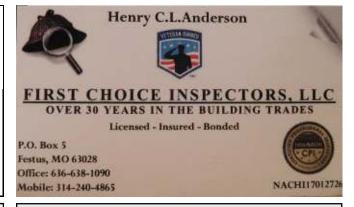
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Donna Rau is selling her leather jacket which is size four to six and Casper chaps that are 32 inches long. She's asking \$250 for the set. Her phone number is 314 630-7980

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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