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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Wow, my year has flown by. I was looking back through my collection of pictures, trying to sort through some personal issues that have been weighing on me since the first part of July. Looking through the photos, I saw the good times and good rides that I/we have had over the past year. I realized how much more the club means to me now and how many new friends I have because of my association with the Freedom Riders. I saw the pictures when we delivered School supplies to Kaufman, the pictures of our Fall trip to Marshall, our Mesquite Santa Cops ride, delivering Christmas presents to Kaufman Shelter and taking **Rick Williams** his Grand Prize from our benefit raffle. I also came across our outings to the Rangers Ballpark, the Mesquite Rodeo and the Frisco Rough Riders, a really big Thank You to **Machelle Noel** for putting together those activities. And let's not forget our Picnic Ride to Lake Whitney that was hosted by **Randy & Cheryl Langley**. It has been a very busy year for the Freedom Riders, and I am very grateful for the opportunity to lead our group of friends.

A year ago when I was nominated for Club President, I accepted the nomination with the fear of failure. I have never lead an organization and how could I lead this group after watching the great leadership from **David Hurt, Dan McDonald, Steve Wedgeworth** and so many others over the years. I could not put myself in the same category of leadership as I had seen from them, and besides that I had never lead an out of town trip. I realized that I brought forth something different; I brought being different and different ideas... some good, some not so good but it brought some new activities to the club. Most of all, I hope that I brought enjoyment of riding with our group and that you continue to ride with us.

The summer heat has been taking its toll; several of our Saturday rides have had to be shortened up due to the intense afternoon heat. Please keep yourself hydrated. Drink before you get thirsty and use sunscreen. I know I am one to talk about sunscreen. Every Monday when I come into the office the guys just look at me, see the red and white areas on my face and laugh, then say, "you went riding this weekend didn't you?" With a big smile I say "Yep, I sure did... had a great ride too."

Dan McDonald led 5 bikes to Tulsa for Wing Ding. Even though we left early, 8a.m. it warmed up rather quickly and was downright hot by midday. Even though it was hot,

we had an enjoyable and fast ride to Tulsa, stopping in Ada, Oklahoma to have lunch long time club members **Dave & Dena Musgraves**. We had a great dinner at **Ed & Peggy Majors** on Friday night. Sorry, **Ed** about the cops being called. I wasn't trying to

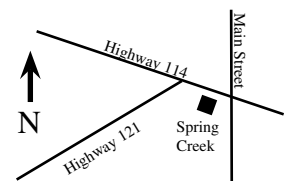
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August 2009 Meeting

Thursday August 20 - 7:00 pm
at **Spring Creek Barbecue**
315 Highway 114 West @ Main, Grapevine
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President's Corner Continued

rattle the pipes that loud, just enough to let you know we were there. **Cecil Drewry** and I stayed at the same hotel; actually they even put us right across the hall from each other, and we were riding buddies for the weekend. We walked out the entire Wing Ding Coliseum helping spend each other's money. We even rode over to the Grand Lake Dam on Saturday evening. Thanks **Cecil** for letting me hang out with you.

The club has several more activities planned for later in the year. I am working on the tickets for our Benefit Raffle. I will have the tickets ready for distribution at the next dinner meeting. This year we will make our Grand Prize an option of a Gift Card from DFW Honda or a Visa Gift Card so that we will be able to accommodate riders and non riders. We also have plans for another School Supply Drive for the Kaufman Shelter.

I hope that you will come out and join the club on one or more of the events. I want to again thank you for letting me have the opportunity to lead the club and thank everyone that has led or tail gunned a ride. Without your participation, the club would not be as successful as it is. Don't forget, we have our Officer elections coming up in August, so come make your voice heard as to the people you want leading the club and as always..

"Come Ride with Us

Larry Harmon

Thought for the Month

Everyone smiles in the same language. - *Unknown*

Meeting Minutes by Sandy Morris, Secretary

Larry called the meeting to order with 37 people in attendance including **Eddy Murphy** who is a returning member.

Larry talked about the following:

The Fall Trip is listed on the forum. Date: Oct. 2-4. Hotel: Comfort Inn in Van Buren, Arkansas. Rate: \$60 plus tax. Reserve before Sept. 2. 479-474-2223. There will be a pre-ride trip on Aug. 7-9 with 6 rooms set aside at the same hotel. **Frosty** stated this will be a fast paced ride going the same route. Anyone interested please contact **Frosty**.

Larry talked to **Dave Dendy** about the Kaufman Children's Shelter fund raiser. His plan is for members to sell raffle tickets for \$10 with the grand prize being either a gift card from DFW Honda or a Visa gift card. There will be more info forthcoming and Larry plans on having the tickets available to pass out at the next meeting. We will still have the school supply fund raiser sometime around the first part of October and participate in the Christmas ride. Wal Mart already has school supplies on sale, so start stocking up. It was suggested that luggage was a good item to donate because the children usually have their belongings in trash bags. Rick likes to be able to pack the children's items in luggage when it is time for them to leave. Other suggestions include toiletries, cake mixes, and everyday household items.

Ride Texas has a web site, "Best in Texas" where readers have an opportunity to tell who and what is best.

Larry told of the good times that were had on the Wing Ding ride with 5 bikes. They met up with people that went up early. **Ed and Peggy** were wonderful hosts.

There is an upcoming ride Sat. July 18 for Fallen Heroes. A flyer was passed out showing the details.

Officer elections are next month, please let someone know if you desire to hold an office. Please remember that

Motorcycle Safety Foundation Courses

HRCA (\$19.95/year) reimburses up to \$75 of the cost of a Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) course each year for HRCA members. Reimbursement forms can be picked up at DFW Honda.

Available courses by City

Arlington - Texas R.I.D.E.R (817) 246-4016 - Harold Patterson Sports Center - www.texasrider.com

Burleson - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 Burleson High School, 100 NW John Jones Rd - www.aplusrider.com

Carrollton - Rider Course Center (972) 317-6322 or 1-888-317-6322 - Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD Stadium

Fort Worth - Tarrant County College Northwest (817) 515-7758

Fort Worth - Moto-Ed (817) 239-6686 - American Ironhorse Motorcycle Company, 4600 Blue Mound Rd. www.moto-ed.com

Flower Mound - Motorcycle Safety Instruction - (972) 247-5011 - Marcus High School, 5707 Morris Rd. Discount offered to DFW Freedom Riders. www.veridesafe.com

Irving - Brookhaven College (972) 860-4715 or Texas R.I.D.E.R. (817) 246-4016 - American Honda Training Center, 4529 Royal Lane, Irving - www.texasrider.com

Lancaster - A+ rider Course 1-800-410-4549 - Cedar Valley College, Lancaster, Tx. - www.aplusrider.com

Southlake - Motorcycle Safety Instruction - (972) 247-5011 - Dragon Stadium, 1085 S. Kimball Ave. Discount offered to DFW Freedom Riders. www.veridesafe.com

the by-laws state you must be a HRCA member to hold an office. It is free and there is a link to HRCA on the DFW Freedom Riders web site.

Meeting Minutes Continued

Ro McDonald was challenged by **Peggy Simpson** to make some decorative scarves in her "Bundle Up for Boobies" endeavor. **Ro** modeled the scarves and thinks they are as cute as can be. She will be selling these until they are gone. All proceeds are being donated to Mabelle and Sandy's Breast Cancer 3-Day Team. Thanks so much Ro!!!!!!

Mabelle Noel discussed the following:

Mesquite Rodeo is Aug. 22 and **Mabelle** collected money from those that will be attending. Seats are by the chutes and they include BBQ dinner. **Mabelle** will pass out tickets later, but if you have to pick up your tickets at the Will Call Window, be sure to go to the East Side.

Rangers Game is Sat. Sept. 19. The game is at 6:05. There is a pre-game Mercy Me concert on the North lawn at 4:00. Our seats are on the Home Run Porch which includes all you can eat. Tickets are 31.00 each and you must RSVP by mid August. Details will be posted on the forum.

Mabelle and **Sandy** are still selling raffle tickets for the beautiful Quilt donated by **Peggy Simpson** to benefit the 3-Day.

Randy Langley has offered to help **Mabelle** and **Sandy** in their fundraising efforts with T-Shirt Sales. These will be short sleeved white t-shirts with a small DFW Freedom Riders logo on the chest and a large logo on the back. The logo will be a screen print. They will sell for 12.00 with size 2X and above selling for 14.00 with 50% of the profits going to the 3-Day. Orders will be taken and then delivered shortly thereafter at meetings and rides.

Mark Palmer talked about the ride leader list and his ride to Tater Junction in Aurora. This is where an alien was buried in the 1800's. **Grady Bryant** led a group to the cemetery to try and find the grave. **Grady** wanted to dig it up, but couldn't find the exact spot.

Randy Langley is leading Saturday to Hico for lunch at the (KKK) Koffee

Kup Kafe. This is the home of the Billy the Kid Museum.

Still need a ride leader for the Moonlight Ride on Aug. 7.

Dave Noel gave the treasure's report with 1137.09 in the bank. Ticket sales amounted to 92 dollars with 2 prizes awarded. **Larry Brown** won first and **Bruce Johnson** won the second prize.

Meeting was adjourned and the Bundle Up for Boobies scarf sale commenced.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Gary Touchstone with Ride For Kids will be a special guest at our August meeting, along with Ride for Kids poster child, Cassie from Grapevine.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to our new members for the month; **Steve & Karen Stutsman** from Dallas. We look forward to many miles of riding with you.

T-Shirts for Boobies

by Mabelle Noel

Team "Free-Dem Boobs" is selling DFW Freedom Riders Tshirts as a fundraising effort to benefit our Breast Cancer 3Day Walk.

TShirts are Hanes Tagless@6.1 100% cotton white short sleeve shirts with the DFW Freedom Riders logo screen printed on the back and the front left chest. Pictures are available on the forum.

TShirts are \$12 each ; sizes 2XL and larger are \$14 each. \$6 from each shirt sold will be donated to the Breast Cancer 3Day Walk on behalf of Team "Free-Dem Boobs".

Orders can be placed with Mabelle Noel (texasnoels@sbcglobal.net or 214.697.0802). Payment is appreciated at time of order and can be made with cash or by check made payable to cash. Delivery will be within a month of order.

A BIG Thank You to Randy Langley for providing this fundraising opportunity!

We are participating in this year's Breast Cancer 3Day event Nov 6-8, which means we will walk 60 miles over 3 days, the longest walk of its kind. With the awesome support of our friends and family, Team "Free-Dem Boobs" has surpassed our minimum fundraising obligation and we are very close to reaching our current team goal! In addition to our fundraising efforts, we're busy training and getting physically prepared for the walk.

Thank You very much for your continued support!

Mabelle & Sandy

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HRCA Membership

Now that I have your attention, it's time for you to sign up for HRCA membership. There is no cost involved, all you have to do is register on-line at <http://hrca.honda.com/>.

Our bylaws require that you be an HRCA member to vote, nominate, or hold office in the club.

Now there is no reason for you not to be a HRCA member. Current members will be renewed as free when their membership expires.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mesquite Rodeo **August 22nd**

Arrangements have been made for DFW Freedom Riders, family & friends to attend the Mesquite Rodeo as a group Saturday August 22.

The rodeo starts at 8pm and concludes at 10pm.

Dinner includes hickory smoked brisket of beef, smoked sausage, country potato salad, rodeo beans, fresh rolls, dessert, relish tray and iced tea or lemonade.

The reservation deadline has passed, but Mabelle may be able to squeeze you in at the last minute if

THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS



- 2 Steve Ricker
- 3 Larry Mundy
- 5 James Weaver
- 6 Marti Waldrop
- 7 Doug Slusher
- 7 Suzette Szymanski
- 7 Jorge Varona
- 8 Jill Sakol
- 9 James Rogers
- 10 Nanc Christopherson
- 11 Bob Mann
- 12 John Evinger
- 13 Bill Fultz
- 13 Mike Sexton
- 17 Keith Goolsbee
- 18 Tommy Taylor
- 20 Bruce Johnson
- 23 Benny Vaughn
- 25 Steve Ray
- 27 Steve Stutsman
- 28 Alicia Shaeffer
- 29 John Jarmush
- 29 Carl Lee
- 30 Tanya Rodriguez

you still want to go. (texasnoels@sbcglobal.net or 214.697.0802

Rangers Baseball Outing September 19

Arrangements have been made for DFW Freedom Riders, family and friends to attend the Saturday, Sept 19 Texas Rangers Baseball game as a group. The 6:05pm game is against the LA Angels, who we are in a tight 1st place Division race with, and includes a pre-game Mercy Me concert.

Our tickets will be in the Upper Home Run Porch All You Can Eat section. Price is \$31 per person and includes admission to the Mercy Me concert, your game ticket, and all-

you-can-eat chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, peanuts and soft drinks.

All-you-can-eat is available from the time gates open until 2 hours after the game starts (this should be 4 - 8pm, but gate time will be confirmed as we get closer to the event).

RSVP and full payment are needed by Fri Aug 21 to **Machelle Noel** (texasnoels@sbcglobal.net or 214.697.0802).

Payment can be cash or check made payable to cash or Rangers Baseball.

More details on parking and transportation will be provided as we get closer to the date.

First Annual Toad Suck Classic Car Show and Motorcycle Poker Run September 26, 2009

On the square in Collinsville.

Car Show Entry: \$20

Motorcycle Run Entry: \$15.00 per bike \$5 for additional rider

This years run is an exploration of the Lake Ray Roberts area.

Contacts; Carrol McKnight jemcknight@ntin.net or Kelly Smith ksmith@trinitysolutions.us

Proceeds will go to the Collinsville Parks and Recreation and a portion will go to the Collinsville Education Fund

Fall Arkansas Trip October 2-4

Here's what we know so far about this trip that Frosty is organizing:

What? Fall weekend trip to Arkansas

FOR SALE OR TRADE

2006 Harley Electra Glide Excellent condition, 8890 miles, \$14,500. (Photos on Forum) I can be reached by e-mail or phone at 512-868-5829. mszoboszlay@yahoo.com Thanks you for your help. **Mike Szoboszlay** 07/09

Harley Davidson ladies riding boots, brand New size 8-med. Never worn. (Husband bought them when he was out of town and never inquired on her size). Dark plum in color. High full solid walking heel. 7" high leather upper with side zippers. New cost was \$95.00, will sell for \$50.00 Please call **Betty Mann** at 940-479-0394 and leave a message if not home. 07/09

To add or remove items for sale or trade, contact the newsletter editor at the e-mail address or phone number listed on Page 2. Items will be removed after two months, unless renewed.

Where? Comfort Inn in Van Buren, AR. Phone 479-474-2223 for reservations. 20 rooms held under the name DFW Freedom Riders until September 1 at a rate of \$60.00 + tx. per room, double beds, deluxe continental breakfast. After Sept 1 the rate is \$76 + tax. Note to smokers: there are six smoking rooms in the entire motel so reserve early.

When? We'll leave early from a location in Denton, tbd, on October 2. Return will be on Sunday October 4 (although some might choose to stay an extra night with Frosty in Texarkana -- more info on this later).

As more info becomes available, I will update this article. **Mark Palmer**

BE THERE - DO THAT SHORT LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 7 - Full Moon Ride

Aug 20 - DFWFR Meeting

Aug 22 - Mesquite Rodeo

Sep 19 - Rangers Baseball Game

Sep 26 - Collinsville Poker Run

Oct 2-4 - Fall Arkansas Trip

Oct 4 - Ride for Kids

2009 RALLY SCHEDULE

Date	City	Event	For Information
Aug 3-9	Sturgis, SD	Strugis Bike Week	www.sturgisrally.net
Sep 16-20	Ruidoso, NM	Golden Aspen	www.motorcyclerrally.com/
Oct 15-18	Daytona Beach, FL	Biketoberfest	www.biketoberfest.org
Oct 21-25	Hatfield, AR	CMA Colors Rally	www.cmausa.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW

Monthly Calendar of Events



Standing Rides

Thursday Dinner Run, except 3rd Thursdays.

Leaves from DFW Honda in Grapevine at 7:00pm

Saturday Ride - Saturday Morning. Leaves from DFW

Honda at 10:00am from October through May, then from the Grapevine Chevron McDonald's at 8:00 am from June through September.

Full Moon Rides - On

Friday or Saturday close to the Full Moon, April through October. Leaves from the Grapevine Chevron at 9:00pm.

The Saturday and Thursday rides are opportunities to get together and ride from a common starting point. An officer or group leader is normally present, but if one is not available, then form a group and enjoy the ride.

Rides scheduled to leave during times when DFW Honda is open will leave from there. The phone number is metro (817) 421-4663.















Unless otherwise noted, other rides leave from the Chevron/McDonalds on the corner of Highway 114 and Main Street in Grapevine.

TALK TO US ON
CB CHANNEL 39

Sonic Bike Night

Cycle Club of Fort Worth - 2nd Friday - 7:00-8:30 pm
Hurst Sonic - 1308 Precinct Line Road

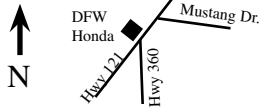
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's 
2	3	4 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	5	6 7:00PM Dinner Ride 	7 7:00PM - CCFW SONIC BIKE NIGHT PRECINCT LINE ROAD IN HURST   FULL MOON RIDE	8 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's  ANNUAL SOCIAL AND RALLY H&W HONDA - MARSHALL
STURGIS BIKE WEEK - STURGIS, SD						
9 STURGIS BIKE WEEK	10	11	12	13 7:00PM Dinner Ride 	14	15 9:00AM GWRRA U-2 MEETING  8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's
16	17	18	19	20 7:00PM DFWFR MEETING 	21	22 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's  MESQUITE CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO OUTING
23	24	25 7:30PM GWRRA-R MEETING	26 7:00PM GWTA CHAPTER B MEETING	27 7:00PM Dinner Ride 	28	29 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's 
30	31	1 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	2	3 7:00PM Dinner Ride 	4  FULL MOON RIDE	5 8:00AM SATURDAY RIDE FROM CHEVRON / McDONALD's 

Year Calendar - Go to www.dfwfreedomriders.org and click on the Newsletter link. There is a downloadable calendar in PDF form for the remainder of the year.



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 or Toll Free 866-83HONDA (834-6632)



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Motorcycle Association Monthly Meetings

- DFW Honda Freedom Riders** • 3rd Thursday - 7 pm
Spring Creek BBQ - Hwy 114 & Main - Grapevine
- CMA Fishermen** • 1st Tuesday - 7 pm
(not a dinner meeting) Vandergriff Community Ctr.
- GWRRA U-2** • 3rd Saturday - 9 am meeting (8:30 buffet)
Golden Corral - Hwy 26 @ Loop 820
- GWRRA R** • 4th Tuesday - 7:30pm meeting (6:00 dinner)
Fuddrucker's in Grapevine (Near Bass Pro Shop)
- GWTA B** - Last Wednesday - 8 pm (7 pm Dinner)
Logan's Road House, 820 & Pipeline Rd.

<p>Parts & Accessory Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Parts & Accessory Purchase</p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to purchase. Coupon expires end of August 2009.</small></p>	<p>Service Parts Special</p> <p>10% Off Any Service Related Parts <small>Does Not Apply to Labor</small></p> <p>DFW Honda (817) 421-4663</p> <p><small>Coupon must be presented prior to service. Coupon expires end of August 2009.</small></p>
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Coupons cannot be combined with any other coupon or offer.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER MOTORCYCLE GROUPS, CONTACT

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Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA)
JJ Jean - jjean99999@msn.com - (972) 255-4525

Gold Wing Touring Association (GWTA)
Bill Fultz - reddog13@sbcglobal.net - (817) 283-5622

Christian Motorcycle Association (CMA)
David Hurt - 1800wingrider@sbcglobal.net (817) 281-4545



Dan & Rose Ann McDonald
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August 2009

Meeting Location

This month's meeting will be at
 Spring Creek Barbecue