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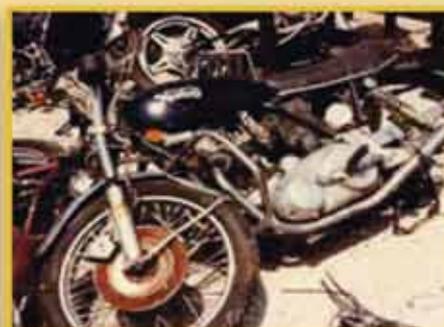
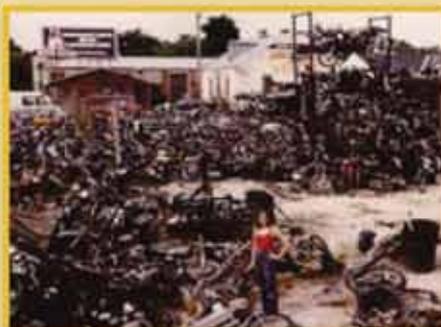
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By Jim Furey

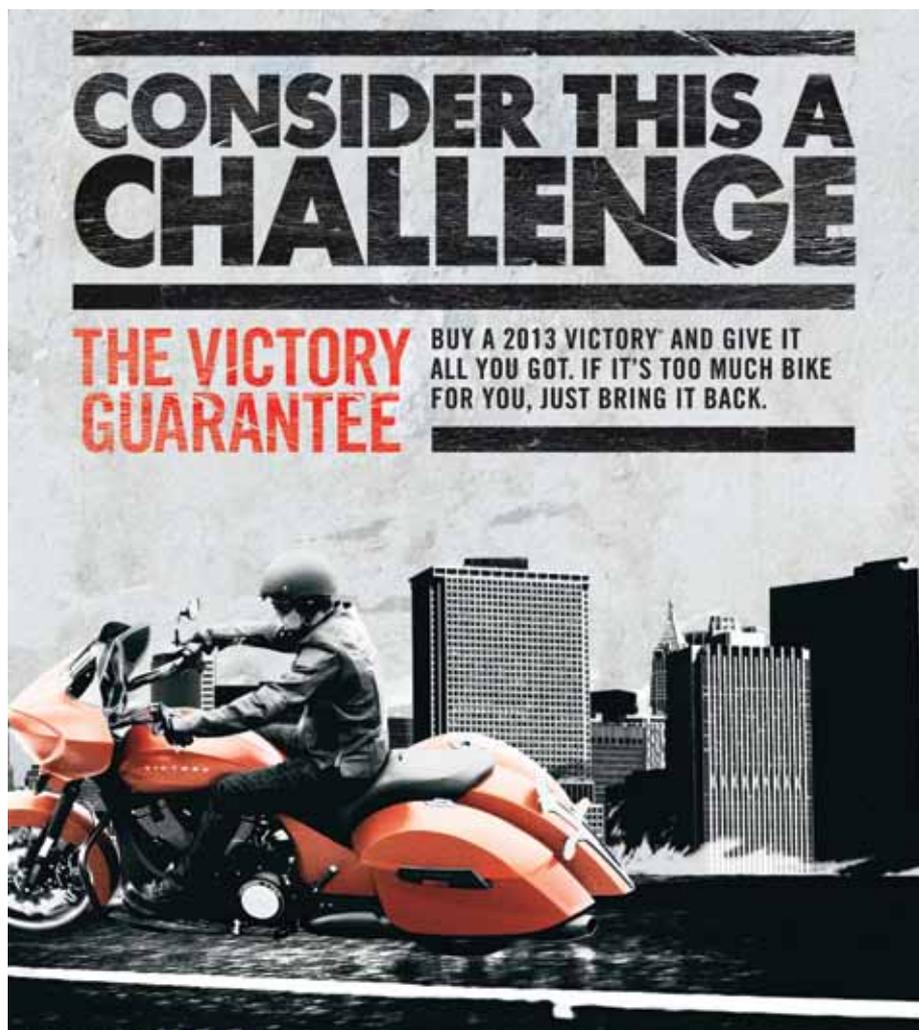
I cannot believe it as I am finishing this issue; they are calling for snow and not just a dusting. Well hopefully that will be the last roar of winter. Last year March was an off the charts month; this year something entirely different, ah weather in the Midwest.

As I was putting together this iteration of the magazine, I was struck by the number of groups that wanted us

to help get the word out about their events. I think this says a lot. It says when bikers want to reach other bikers they know where to do that. I could probably do a better job of going around and telling anyone who would listen how great I am or how good my publication is, but I do not have to, you already know. That said if your group is going to hold an event and you want to get the word out. We would welcome the opportunity to assist. I guarantee you cannot get as many copies made and distributed to a wide spread audience for less unless you are using the office copier at work. We have helped to make a great many events successful over the years and we thank you for the opportunity to be of assistance.

I spend a fair amount of time on Facebook and have seen a lot of posts over the many political issues. I think it is cool that so many people have such interesting positions and ideas. But folks here is my belief =, all the politicians are pretty much the same. They owe favors to the same people and finally they are all like magicians. They distract us with something like an assault weapon ban while they are doing something more dastardly elsewhere. Please do not fall prey to this ploy.

April is here and we are kicking off in a big way with our first swap meet of the year on April 7 at The Loading Dock in Grafton, IL. On the 20th there is a ride leaving Ted's Motorcycle World to benefit the family of Illinois State Trooper Kyle Deatherage. Finally on April 27 there is the Bikers Against Autism Run this will also leave Ted's Motorcycle World and will end up at the Hawg Pit. Autism is a serious condition that affects more people than ever so please support this ride. And finally we urge you to not just read the biking life but to live it.



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Visibly shaken, Laura stared at the woman's lined face, then at the single flickering candle, then down at her hands. She took a few deep breaths to compose herself - and to stop her mind racing. She simply had to know. She met the Fortune Teller's gaze, steadied her voice and asked, "Will I be acquitted?"

Nymphomaniac Convention

A man boarded an aircraft at London 's Heathrow Airport for New York , and taking his seat as he settled in, he noticed a very beautiful woman boarding the plane.

He realised she was heading straight toward his seat and bingo - she took the seat right beside him.

"Hello", he blurted out, "Business trip or vacation?"

She turned, smiled enchantingly and said, "Business. I'm going to the annual Nymphomaniac convention in the United States ."

He swallowed hard. Here was the most gorgeous woman he had ever seen sitting next to him, and she was going to a meeting for nymphomaniacs!

Struggling to maintain his composure, he calmly asked, "What's your business role at this convention?"

"Lecturer," she responded, "I use my experience to disprove some of the popular myths about sexuality.."

"Really", he smiled, "what myths are those?"
 "Well," she explained, "one popular myth is that African-American men are the most well-endowed when, in fact, it's the Native American Indian who is most likely to possess that trait.

Another popular myth is that French men are the best lovers, when actually it is the men of Greek descent.

We have also found that the best potential lovers in all categories are the Irish."

Suddenly the woman became uncomfortable and blushed. "I'm sorry," she said. "I really shouldn't be discussing this with you, I don't even know your name!"

"Tonto," the man said. "Tonto Papadopoulos, but my friends call me Paddy."



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SHARING JOY

It's been a little exciting around our family for the last several weeks. Work has had us both really busy, we've been remodeling the house, but the BIG deal is that Kathy (and mostly Kathy) and I are TAKING THE FAMILY TO THE CIRCUS. The grandkids, ranging in ages from 10 to 2, are excited about going on Saturday. They have to get up earlier than usual on Saturday morning and drive over from Alton to Grandma and Grandpa's house, and then we're going to follow each other to the Arena. Once we started the planning for this excursion, we've realized the "big kids", the moms and dads and even Grandpa, have never been to circus. Grandma (and all of you that know Kathy can understand this) is more excited about sharing this with all of us than going herself. She went to the circus as a young girl, took her son to the circus (several times) while he was growing up, and just can't wait to make sure that all of us get to go too! When we went to get the adult tickets to go with the "free" kid's tickets we'd gotten from the Shriners last month, she (of course) realized she wanted CLOSER tickets to the floor so that all of us could experience this even better. She wants all of us to have the BEST time ever!

This is the same excitement we feel when we want to share our faith with all of you. Each month we try to put into words some little part of the joy, love, hope and peace that we receive from our God and Savior and pass them on to you. Easter will be over before you receive this message from us. It's

the time in Christian churches when we celebrate and remember the sacrifice Christ made for us by dying on the cross. Christ told his disciples that He would be leaving them – he knew how they were going to hurt and promised them more: in John 16:20 and 22 He tells them: "Most assuredly, I say to you that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; and you will be sorrowful, but our sorrow will be turned into joy.....Therefore, you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you." Throughout the Bible we're given verses on God giving His joy to us, and we in turn give our joy to others. Ecclesiastes 2: 26 tells us, "For God gives wisdom and knowledge and joy to a man who is good in His sight..."; Isaiah (a prophet of God) in Isaiah 35:10 tells the people: "And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness, And sorrow and sighing shall flee away."

Just as Kathy wants our family to experience the circus and all (she thinks) it has for us to enjoy and remember, we want all of you to be able to experience the love of Christ in each of your lives. Christ told us Himself in John 10:10, "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." The "they" in that sentence is each one of us – you and me! If you don't know our Lord Jesus as a friend and Savior, contact us or another Christian friend. Pull me aside at the Bike Blessing in April. You can call me at 314-434-2282 or e-mail me at h2osjk@att.net; or you can contact the CMA Missouri State Coordinators, Brad & Angie Barton at 573-576-8216, Email: bartonscma@gmail.com; or the CMA Illinois State Coordinators who are Don and Vicky Brown, 217-629-8938, vdBrown77@aol.com.

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Biker Prom by Joy Furey

Wow! That's what I have to say about this first-time Biker Prom sponsored by Piasa-Gateway A.B.A.T.E. And I'm sure that the rest of those who attended were equally impressed.

The event took place at the Owl's Club in Alton, IL, on February 16, a perfect date for some fancy clothes. It was fun to see many the ladies in their finest, from Harley-themed ball gowns to short and flirty dresses. And the guys cleaned up really well too! But fancy dresses, tuxes and suits were not a requirement to have fun. While not many people rode-in given the

frigid temperatures, lots of them came out sporting their biker clothes. Everyone was in party mode no matter what they wore.



We all enjoyed some delicious food. (I love going to events like these because I get to eat things I don't usually keep around the house like chips and olives.) The band cranked out some favorite dance tunes, the lights dimmed, and the crowd filled the dance floor. With the event being just after Valentines' Day, romance was in the air and the band played enough slow songs to accommodate the ambiance. Many people took advantage of the photographer, Craig "Sandman" Davis, who was available to take photos of couples and groups--and the ladies posed for a group photo in their prom clothes.

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With several of the ladies mentioning to me that they had never been to a prom when they were in school, the announcement of prom queen and prom king was looked forward to with much anticipation. Everyone was given a ballot to vote. Kat won prom queen and and Bo (sp?) won prom king. The winners were given crowns and sashes amidst much excitement and clapping.

IL. The competition takes place Sunday, April 21 with sign-up between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Come out and show off your skills or cheer others on. See you there!

If you were unable to attend the Biker Prom this year, join the fun next year! Also, coming up very soon is the Piasa-Gateway A.B.A.T.E. Top Gun Motorcycle Skills Competition at Ted's Motorcycle World, Alton,



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Supercross St. Louis 2013

By Killer Miller

Photos by Chuck Sheets

One of the highlights every March for this magazine's staff, and racing fans in the region, is when the young gladiators of the AMA FIM Supercross World Championship come to the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis, MO, and this year was no different. As in past years The Biking Life Beauties (this time Jessica, Amanda and Theresa) and I were in attendance to see the young lions of the MX world go bar to bar for the podium, the trophy and, most importantly, the points toward the end of the season coveted number one plate in Las Vegas. Going into

the competition, veteran rider, Davi Millsaps, on his Rockstar Suzuki had a 22 point lead over defending champ Ryan Villapoto on a Kawasaki. Ryan Dungey on the Red Bull KTM was also still in the mix

The opening ceremonies were great with a salute to retiring rider and fan fave, Kevin Windham, who for the last time in St. Louis tripled the finish line jump, clearing the finish line bar. This was one of the great things about Kevin; he truly was and is a showman and this will be missed by his fans.

With opening ceremonies completed, the racing started. The 250s were first out of the gate. As Ms. Supercross turned the board sideways and the revs went up, the fans knew they were in for a night of action. The gate dropped on the opening heat race. Wharton got the holeshot and was never bested, leading the entire race for an easy transfer to the main. On the downside, hard luck rider Zach Bell once again was doing soil samples and it cost him a transfer. Instead he would have to go through the ICQ.

The second heat's competitors took to the line. Gibson's KTM got a great holeshot, but Dean Wilson, the Scottish rider on a Pro Circuit Kawasaki and Wil Hanh on a Honda both hunted him down, and then passed him finishing in that order after 8 laps.

The 450 heats took the gate next. After a great start, Justin "Bam Bam" Barcia, the up-and-coming rookie

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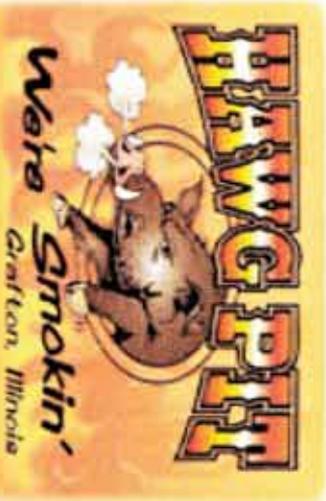
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on his Muscle Milk Honda got the lead on the second of ten laps. He looked like a sure winner until Ryan Villapoto passed with one lap to go and took the win in heat race one. Rider of note, Eli Tomac, fell hard (he is your 250 west points leader--this was his first 450 start) trying to avoid another rider so he had to go to the ICQ. Heat two saw James Stewart get the holeshot and run away with the race. He led the entire ten laps proving once again that if he stays on a bike, he is a force to be reckoned with. Second went to Davi Millsaps, and third to Ryan Dungey.

The ICQ for the 250s was next. These are super races as only the top two go to the main. In the 250 race Zach Bell rode like a kid possessed and won in great fashion, crashing right after the finish line jump and getting up and fist pumping in joy, quite the showman. The 450 race winner was Eli Tomac overcoming his heat race stunt to make the main in his debut on the Muscle Milk Honda.

The mains took the line and everyone wondered if Wil Hanh would make it two in a row during the 250cc race or if Dean Wilson would stretch his east coast point lead. The gate came down and Hahn got the holeshot while French rider Musquin on the KTM fell in turn one. Wilson overcame a rotten



start to track down Wharton and got him for second, then tracked down and passed Hahn for the lead. This battle would continue for the entire race with Hahn just passing Wilson for the lead on the last turn to take his second win. Wilson got second and Wharton rounded out the podium at third.

Now the big motors took the line for the last race of the night. The gate fell and as usual Alessi got the holeshot as 20 of the best riders in the world headed into turn one. As lap one went into the books, Alessi led Barcia and Villapoto. Then James Stewart put on a charge that gave him the lead till a red flag. The flag was due to a hard fall taken by Chisum after he was hit coming over the doubles on the back half of the track. This meant a single file restart which saw James Stewart on the point. The flag dropped and Stewart led into turn one with Barcia and Villapoto giving chase. The race looked like Stewart's, but no one told that to Ryan Villapoto who charged past a struggling Barcia and caught the Suzuki-mounted Stewart. With five to go it was a race for the finish. When the battle was over, the victor was defending Champion Ryan Villapoto on the Monster Kawasaki. James Stewart on his Yoshimura Suzuki was second and Chad Reed who had gotten by Barcia put his Team 22 Honda on the champion-filled podium for third. Millsaps struggled all night to finish fifth. This along with and Villapoto's win saw Millsaps points lead dwindle down to thirteen going into the very tricky track on the infield of the tri-oval at Daytona the following weekend.

As we left and wandered out into the cold (booooo) all the The Biking Life Beauties admitted to having a great time. Now sit back, look at the great pics taken by Chuck Sheets, our ace photo guy, and remember, in the race of The Biking Life, do you really want to be at the gate with anyone but the original?

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Mr. B's is a night club on North 94 in St Charles Missouri that allows the under 21 crowd in with a stamp on the hand so they can't buy beer. They are really flexible on this rule. The Roustabouts are playing & the joint is jumping not to mention packed to the gills. I've got a really nice pair of black slacks & black shirt on not expecting there to be any trouble coming my way. At the bar I hear 4 dudes from across the river making plans to beat hell out of a black dude because he's with a white chick. I wish I could just walk away because I really don't want to fight tonight but the black dude in question is a friend. I don't leave friends hanging; I'm Jack Laramie and I live Life in the Fast Lane!

It's mid-summer 1971 and I've been home two weeks from a run to Florida. I'm pretty much a wheeler dealer when it comes to making a living plus I get a check from the V.A. having got hurt in the military. I could do better illegally but I don't like looking over my shoulder. Been working all week on a gig that would generate a hefty profit and tonight I'm ready to party the house down.

Sharon Regot is a 27 year old fox that prefers the company of younger men which works to the benefit of this 22 year old. We roll into the gravel lot of Mr.B's in my 64 Sting Ray then make our way inside to find a table. Twenty minutes later the band plays a James Brown Revue and we hit the floor. As usual when I dance people move off the floor and just watch. Soon it's just me putting on a floor show for the crowd.

I move through the crowd to the bar to get Sharon another drink when I hear four guys making plans to mess up a black dude because he's with a white girl. I can't keep quiet I gotta say something so I ask why that bothers them so much? We don't go for that crap where we come from. Dude would it make any difference if the woman is his wife? Naw! man that makes it even worse! Are you four the only ones that are gonna do the job? Yep! You're gonna need more help. That's Ron Burton and he's not one to trifle with. So there's four of us man and only one of him! He's got back up. Ron happens to be a really good friend of mine and that deals me in and you don't know anybody as bad as I am!

As expected they were waiting in the parking lot when Mr. B's closed. Their strategy was two coming at us from the front while the other two flanked us. Ron is a very muscular golden gloves boxer. He's a construction worker by day and bouncer by night. He can't find sparring partners anymore because he hits so hard. Ron is a flat footed fighter, he stalks his prey then lowers the boom with a mighty blow from a powerful arm.

The name calling begins as they summon courage from dark souls. The shortest of the four pulls off his belt that has a huge buckle. I said I was just gonna spank you until you did that now I'm gonna have to really hurt ya. Around and around the buckle flew over his head then it was launched missing my face by inches. Again it was launched but I got a hold on it then jerked him to me delivering three rapid blows to his face the last breaking his nose. Ron is in a melee with the other two hitting and getting hit. I engage my other guy dancing around him hitting him at will when the one with the broken nose steps up. A spinning back fist to the broken nose and he's out. Easily I punched the other guy to the ground then every time he tried to get up I put the boot to him until he lay in a pool of blood with no will to try again. I lean back against a car to watch Ron dispatch his opponents. It was a heck of a cat fight with fur flying every which way. Ron is taking some hard punches but delivering harder ones that are taking their toll. Finally an uppercut to the chin and it dangles putting this guy out of the equation. Scared the other guy picks up a board and wildly swings it trying to scare Ron off. The seasoned boxer in him gave skills of bobbing and weaving and to parry right and left allowing him to avert any blows from the board. Exhausted the board drops from his hand and when it does Ron is on him like a duck on a June bug. After several blows he cries out for Ron to stop but he does not. I rush in grab Ron and try to pull him off but he is just too strong. Ron's wife Sherry screams at him and it's over.

Ron and I hug our necks then I collect Sharon moving to my Vette. One of the dudes I fought stopped me and said you were right man. How's that? I ain't never even heard of anyone as bad as you are! What's your name? Laramie! Jack Laramie!

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horrible weather conditions. Unfortunately she was stripped of her medal because she was a female. Her competitors rallied behind her to give her a pendant to honor her achievement.

Wagner Motorcycle Company was the first to design a motorcycle for women in 1909 that featured a “drop frame”. It featured a “loop” frame that offered weight distribution and strength. The exhaust was disburshed through a loop frame muffler.

George Wagner aggressively sought marketing through rural mail carriers. By 1912 over 4,000 Wagner motorcycles were used on R.F.D. routes. The motorcycle made the job of mail carriers easier and faster than a bicycle.

In 1915 the mother and daughter team of Effie and Avis Hotchkiss set the first record for a transcontinental sidecar journey by women. By 1916 sisters Adeline and Augusta VanBuren were the first women to ride their motorcycles

from New York to California.

During the roaring twenties circuses and carnivals had women headlining daredevil motorcycle acts like Olive Hager and Marjorie Kemp. When the Second World War broke out in the thirties women were doing their part by becoming motorcycle couriers for the military.

The Cyclette’s, an all-woman motorcycle club, was founded in 1938 in Sacramento, Ca. The most famous women’s motorcycle club is the Motor Maids which is still active to this day. The most well-known member is Dot Robinson.

She was born in Australia and was a rider before she was born. When her mother went into labor her father helped her into the side car of his motorcycle and drove her to the hospital. Her father was a motorcycle racer and a sidecar designer. They immigrated to Saginaw, Michigan where they set up a motorcycle dealership. Dot met her husband, Earl, while in high school and the two actively competed in endurance races. She won her first race in 1930. Her motto was that women can ride a motorcycle and still remain a lady. After every race she would go to her room to clean up and return wearing a dress and a pill box hat. She rebuffed the traditional black leather and opted for her trademark pink riding outfit. She was an AMA Enduro champion and a pioneer of women motorcycle riders. Dot Robinson died at the age of 87 in 1999.

Wagner Motorcycles Paving the Way for Women Sheri Wellen

On August 18, 1920 the 19th amendment was ratified to give all women the right to vote. It was only five years before that George Wagner; the founder of Wagner Motorcycle Company, of St. Paul, MN gave his blessing for his 15 year old daughter, Clara Wagner, to compete in a 360 mile endurance race from Chicago to Indianapolis, Indiana sponsored by the Eclipse Machine Company.

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Insanity

By Jim Furey

There are some big time bike shows in the world; one of the more prestigious is the AMD World Championship of Custom Bike Building. This past year it was held August 5th-8th 2012 in Sturgis, South Dakota. This is an awesome show that we have been invited to attend. There are always some awesome bikes here and some very outrageous styling on all types of bikes from stock Harleys, to customs, to sport bikes. You can see pretty much anything here.

This year as we were looking at the entries, we noticed one with local flavor, it was named Insanity and was built by St Louis bike builder Jason Hicks of Just Hawgs. Jason's work has been seen on the streets of St Louis for a long time. So it was nice to see him get some recognition for his exceptional work on the world stage.

The bike had some very interesting features like, it had

the first hidden rear disc brake. Jason also fabricated other parts for this bad-ass ride. In addition to total fabrication of some parts he had to modify others either for fit or to get the look that he was going for. Enjoy the photos and if you are looking to build or modify a bike consider Jason. Just Hawgs is located at 10621 Lackland Rd St Louis, MO.



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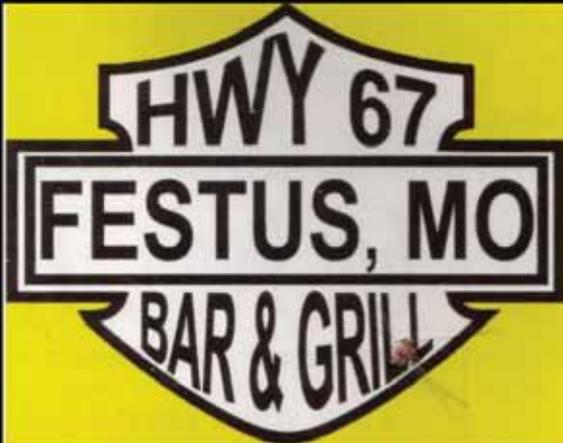
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O'merica By Rocker

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Anyway this weekend it's supposed to be almost 70 and that is riding weather I don't care what anyone says. I have my I-pod thing all charged up and new music loaded on it and I am rearing to go.

Speaking of going, Saturday May 4th all day Steel Horse Junction on the corner of Hwy 32 and 00 in Farmington is having their annual swap-meet call ([573-701-9211](tel:573-701-9211)) for more information. It's a really good time the new owners Rick and Brandy Hinkle are trying to make this a tradition and we the biker community should do our part and stop by. Then on Sunday May 5th The Parkland Cycle Servants #620 is hosting The Parkland Blessing of the Bikes at Columbia Park in Park Hills. Bring a canned good or a few for the local food pantry and a can of your favorite chili for the chili dump. Last year there were a couple vendors for food and biker

goodies and there were live Christian rock bands playing all day. This is definitely a DO NOT MISS event. I am guessing there were two hundred bikes there last year.

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We the people are under attack

I suppose if your Liberal minded you're going to think I am Henny Penny running around the barn yard screaming the sky is falling. But the reality of this shows that really, it is. In my mere 55 years on this planet I have never witnessed this kind of attack on our second amendment rights before. Blatant attacks, by the liberal minded who for "our own good" want to take our way to defend ourselves against a government gone rouge. You may think I am just spouting off. But here is a fact; the second amendment was put in the constitution for no other reason than to protect all of our other rights/amendments. Without the second amendment and our ability to defend ourselves against enemies foreign or domestic is limited at the best. And yes I do believe we should all be able to own an AR-15 with a 30 round magazine. And as the saying goes, "I fear a government that fears my gun".

Lets look at the Second Amendment as passed by the Congress:

"A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." NOTE: The Second Amendment is the only amendment to the Constitution which states a purpose. What is the definition of "INFRINGE" [transitive verb](#)1: to encroach upon in a way that violates law or the rights of another. 2: Act so as to limit or undermine (something); encroach on: «infringe on his privacy». So this means you cannot violate or undermine the right of the people to bear arms. Yet they are trying too, which people who think as I do find unreasonable. Here is the deal as I see it. Criminals do NOT follow laws. If they did they wouldn't be criminals. We all know it's illegal to commit murder but people do it with astounding regularity every day. They use their bare hands, knives, boot heels, ball bats, frozen turkeys, and assortment of other items including cars

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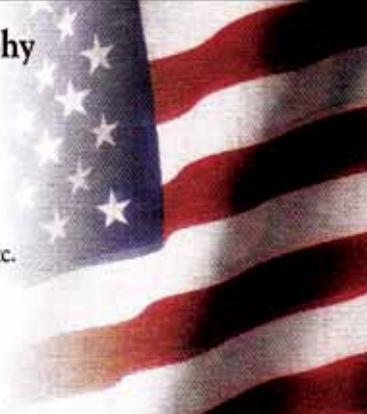
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and yes guns. Its illegal but they still do it. Now am I right or wrong here? Think about this how long does it take for your local law to respond to a 911 call? So you're out on a date with the wife/girlfriend, working late, whatever. Your 14 year old daughter is home alone doing homework /playing on the net or watching TV. Someone kicks open the door and before she can react is in your home. She runs to her room and manages to dial 911 and hit send before the intruder grabs her puts a knife to her throat and slams her to the floor ripping at her clothes. How long before the cops come? How far did this guy get with your daughter? What if you had a pistol in the hall where she could have gotten to it and fired a shot or two at the attacker? The outcome would have been a lot different from you coming home seeing her beaten and abused body lying on the floor in her own blood and you not being able to do a damn thing about it to finding her unharmed and an intruder on your living room floor with a couple holes in him. The cops are NOT there for your protection. They may want to be but they can't be everywhere. Maybe while your daughter is being raped the cops are dealing with a severe accident on the highway. What I am trying to say is we are responsible for our own safety. If you can't, won't defend yourself who will? You can't bring a knife to a gun fight and expect to win. You can't wait for the cops to show up because that's how people die. Don't let the politicians take away honest law-abiding citizens way of defending ourselves and our families from the scum of the earth our society of politically correct mamby pamby oh Jonny is just misunderstood, ass wipes has created. Make them enforce the laws we have. Make them do more to understanding and treating our growing mental health problem. Be more active in your children's lives. Teach them to respect life even if it's the life of a butterfly or a bird. Teach them gun safety. Teach them how to shoot. After all aren't our freedoms what our fathers and their fathers fought for? And what if the absurd conspiracy theory that Obama is out to ruin our country and economy is for real? What if that is the real reason they want to disarm us so we can't fight back. And why has Homeland Security bought up so much hollow point ammo and weapons?

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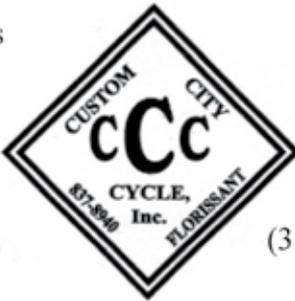
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Homeland Opression

By Rick Lang

Let me start by saying, I'm not one of those people that thinks that everything is always a big conspiracy. I do not believe that the government is watching and listening to everything we do or say but lately I'm starting to wonder if that is coming in the very near future or if it's not happening already. Did you know that the government is building a massive data collection installation on government owned property in the desert in Utah. No shit, it's under construction right now, I bet you also didn't know that The Department of Homeland Security has recently spent \$443 million on predator drones that have the capability to do detailed surveillance, intercept all electronic communications, I.D. people on the ground and be able to tell whether they are armed or not, all from around 7500 feet above our heads, Big brother is coming to life.

I'm having a hard time trying to figure out what the bureaucrats at the D.H.S. think they are doing, in the past year they have bought 2700 armored vehicles, 7000 assault rifles, 1.6 billion rounds of ammo and 14 predator drones, are they getting ready for a war of some kind? A percentage of those bullets that they bought are hollow point which is against international law to use in war, another percentage of them are sniper rounds, so who do they plan on using them on, there are no well-armed or organized armies of any consequence inside the U.S. I'm starting to think that the enemy that they see as an immediate threat is us, according to a study done at the University of Maryland, funded by the D.H.S.

If you are a prepper, believe in liberty and the constitution and are suspicious of government, you are an extreme right wing terrorist and you are a threat to national security in the sight of our current government, (imagine that), what I really want to know is what does the D.H.S. need with all that weaponry? When did regular hard working people become a threat to national security, when this president was first elected he said he would like to establish a civilian force just as strong and well-armed as the military, what do we need that for?

We already have that it's called the police dept.; this all seems kind of familiar to me. I seem to remember reading something about stuff like this, Hitler's SS started out as his civilian force to keep peace at that time in Germany while he slowly made his fundamental transformation to that society. We all know how that turned out, make no mistake, the day will come when the D.H.S. will have to justify having all this weaponry, they will have to find or create an enemy if they want to maintain their status and budget among the corrupt Leviathan we have as government and with things being what they are these days I don't think it will take them long to start pointing those guns right at us especially after they've come around and gathered up all our weapons.

I try not to assume the intent of malice when something can

be easily explained by pure stupidity or incompetence which we know our government has plenty of both, this could very easily just be dept. heads battling it out to see who can have the bigger budget next year, to make their little fiefdom a bit more powerful than the other bureaucrats across the hall. That is the name of the game in Washington D.C. money, power and control and these people can't get enough of any of it and we do all realize that if they don't spend all the money they were given last year they won't get as much next year so they have to get rid of it any way they can. Even if it's just a total waste of money, instead of the entire government working together to reduce spending by eliminating wasteful and unnecessary departments that have out lived their usefulness they would rather tax the crap out of us to pay for it and still see the whole thing collapse eventually.

The problem that we have here is that none of these so called leaders are really interested in stopping the growth of this massive government. The republicrats as I call them because to me they are all the same people, just keep talking about how much better they can manage this out of control mess than the other guy but nobody is trying to put a stop to it and get it back down to a more reasonable and manageable size. The bigger it gets the more they will take it upon themselves to decide what is best for us without ever asking us what we think or even giving us a choice in the matter, to them we are all stupid and don't know what is best for us. So they have to control and regulate everything for us and if you hadn't noticed, everything is illegal now, they can find a way to charge you with anything, and it's just a matter of figuring out how they want to word it so it sounds legal and official.

The attorney general of the U.S. Eric Holder (or should I say Obama's yes man and defense attorney) during a congressional hearing about the use of drones over our home soil, dodged and danced around the question whether it was legal and never did give a straight answer but made it clear in a letter to the president that drone strikes and picking up anyone off the street and holding them indefinitely without charge is legal if they see them as a threat. My question is, what is their definition of a threat and who the hell do they think they are? This is a direct violation of the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th amendments to the constitution, if someone would have told me this stuff as little as 10 years ago I would have said they were crazy but now it's happening right under our noses and most people just refuse to see it or believe it. It's sad that most people are more concerned about who's winning on American Idol or what some fake celebrity is doing or wearing than they are about what's happening in our country or what these idiot politicians are screwing up and how many of our rights are being legislated away every day. They will just wake up one day to find that they no longer live in a free country and it will be too late. It is up to us to yell it from the roof tops, spread the word to anyone that will listen, its gone too far, they are coming, this has happened before, it can happen again and it will if we don't stand up, if not us then who? If not now than when? If not us then who?

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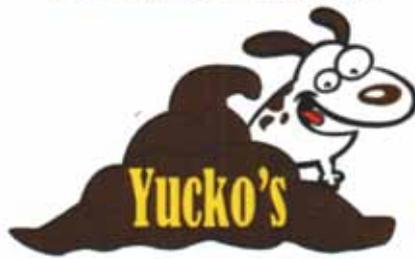


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Thursdays Hardriders call their hotline (314) 340-2000 for info
Thursdays Bike Night at Geos Wings and More on West Main in Belleville, IL from 6:30 to 10
Thursdays Crown Royals M/C Bikers Night Out Blues Alley 9053 Riverview St Louis
Fridays Discounts for First Responders at Mungenst Motorsports
Friday Bikes, Beers and Bonfires at Chasers on Dutch Hollow Rd. \$1.50 Dom LN
Saturday Scandalous Saturday Bike Night at Fatboys in DeSoto, MO
Last Saturday of the month Free Coffee and donuts at Mungenast Motorsports

April

5-6 Victory Open House at Mungenast Motorsports
7 TBL Motorcycle Swap Meet at The Loading Dock in Grafton, IL doors open at 8 AM
13 Ted's Spring Open House sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 10 to 4 in Alton, IL
13 Motorcycle Swap Meet at the Morley Missouri Community Center from 9 to 3 PM
14 Bootleggers Spring Run sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 11 to 1 in Alton, IL
14 American Legion Poker Run sign up at 11 to 1 at Collinsville American Legion 1022 Vandalia St
14 Pegasus Meat Shoot American Legion Post 1255 on Eiler Road in Belleville, IL starts at noon
20 Trooper Kyle Deathridge Memorial Run sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 9:30 to 12:30 in Alton, IL
20 Cruisin 4 Crider sign in 9 to 10:30 at Mungenast Motorsports

21 ABATE Top Gun sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 9 to noon in Alton, IL
21 Paderborn Rat Pack Blessing of the Bikes and Spring Run at Karban's Knotty Pine in Paderborn, IL from 11 to 12:30 Blessing at 11
21 Forr Blessing of the Bikes at Grand Slam Sports Bar in Fenton, MO starts at 11
24 Motorcycle Boot Camp at Doc's Harley Davidson from 6:30 to 9:00 PM
27 1 ST Annual Bikers Against Autism Run look for more info in the months ahead
27 4th Annual Mudbog Party at AmVets Post 1 see flyer for more info
27 Ride to Mungenast Museum leaves from Mungenast Motorsports
28 Bush Pilots Spring Run sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 11 to 1 in Alton, IL

May

3-5 Beaver Bikes and Bands at the Shaved Beaver in Everton, MO
4 Blessing of the Bikes at Catfishs Sandy Ridge from 12 to 4 PM Cahokia, IL
4 Cycle Saints Run for the Son sign up at Roxanna Nazarene Church from 11 to noon
5 Alton HOG Spring Run sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 11 to 1 in Alton, IL
11 Red Knights 1 Night Spring Run sign up at Ted's Motorcycle World 3 to 5 PM in Alton, IL
11 Hurricanes Fun Run sign up at Hurricanes 222 W Main St in Collinsville, IL from 10:30 to 12:30
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19 Dream Weavers Rodeo sign up at Bethalto KC Grounds from 11 to 12:30



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