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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I expect most of you have heard that **Steve and Judy Ray** resigned as club president and secretary at the last meeting. Although this was a real surprise, life goes on and so will the club. Another election will be held during the November meeting to elect a new president and secretary so those of you who have been wanting to help, stand up and volunteer!

In the mean time, **Rick Smith** and I will make sure that club administrative details are taken care of and, more importantly, that Thursday night dinner rides, Saturday rides, and Full Moon rides continue as usual along with Sonic Bike Night.

Our next weekend trip is the Fall Colors Ride to Mena, Arkansas. We are leaving on Friday, October 8th and returning on Sunday, October 10th. As always on our three day trips, a second group will probably leave on Saturday for those who can't take all three days off. Although I've never been to Mena itself, I did spend a week last October riding the roads of Arkansas and they were great! There was beautiful scenery, almost non-existent traffic (at least if you are comparing to Metromess traffic), and friendly people everywhere I went.

Now that summer is about over, our Saturday rides will be leaving from the dealership at 10 AM, beginning October 2nd. I know that several of you, myself included, will enjoy

the extra sleep!

On Saturday, October 23rd there will be a ride to benefit the Kaufman County Children's Emergency Shelter. Several members have spoken about this cause and how much they enjoyed their participation last time.

We are planning a progressive dinner ride the Sunday before Thanksgiving. This was a big hit last year and promises to be a lot of fun again. The idea is that we ride to someone's house for appetizers, then to another for the salad course. The main course is served at someone else's home followed by another ride before dessert. The courses are pot luck and you can either make arrangements to deliver your contribution before hand or bring it with you on the ride. A sign-up sheet will be available at the next meeting or you can email me if you would like to volunteer your home for one of the courses. **Dan and Rose Ann McDonald** have already graciously volunteered their home for the appetizer course.

If you have any ideas for places to eat or places you would like to go for rides, please let one of the club officers know so we can plan the ride or go ahead and plan it yourself! If you don't feel comfortable leading, we will find people to lead the ride but we need your ideas for new places to go.

Thanks for your support as we go through this transition period. The coming year will be worth it. Ride Safe!

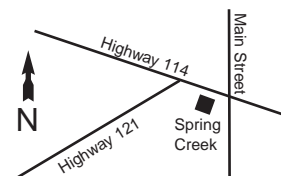
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October 2004 Meeting

Thursday October 21, 7:00 pm
at **Spring Creek Barbeque**
315 Highway 114 West @ Main, Grapevine
(817) 416-6250



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MEETING MINUTES

9-16-2004

by Judy Ray

The meeting was called to order by **Steve Ray**.

We welcomed **Mark and Rebecca** from Grapevine as guests, as well as **David Dendy** and **Bob Greene** from DFW Honda.

Rick Smith presented the Treasurer's report indicating that we have \$607.18 in the treasury after a \$41.00 purchase by the club for a briefcase for the Treasurer. A 50/50 drawing was held at the conclusion of the meeting with **Kevin Vardaman**, **Leland Rawlinson** and **David Hurt** winners.

Ken Frazer discussed the standing rides as well as reviewed all upcoming overnight rides and special events. The all day Highway 4 ride ending up in Granbury led by **Steve Ray** on Saturday, September 25th was discussed. The October 8-10 overnight trip to Mena, Arkansas was discussed as well. November 21st was suggested as the date for a Thanksgiving Progressive Ride and there was a request for four homes to host with that being for appetizers, salads, main course and desserts.

The upcoming ride on October 23rd to the Kaufman Children's Shelter was discussed by **Steve Ray** and **Linda Brzozowski**. Additionally, **David Hurt** discussed the need for bikes to assist with Trunk or Treat for Halloween at First Baptist Church in Hurst on October 31st.

JJ Jean thanked the club members who were able to assist him the previous Sunday with the "bicycles" at Joe Poole Lake. He also discussed the upcoming HRCA Event at Billy Bob's on October 3rd providing information on ticket prices and the agenda.

Steve and Judy Ray offered their resignations as club President and club Secretary effective immediately, based on personal reasons, but still happy to be active club members!

Steve Ray read from the bylaws informing the club that a special election would be held at the next meeting to fill the vacated positions.

The management of Spring Creek provided everyone with ice cream!

SAFETY PRIORITY #1

Winter Warmups

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We're lucky that we have a virtual year-round riding season. However, when the mercury hides in the bottom of the little red bulb, we have to make some changes in our riding style.

One of the big enemies of riders is hypothermia. Riding at highway speeds in cool or cold weather can deplete a rider's body heat and leave him numb and fuzzy-headed before he realizes what has happened.

Even when the temperature is in the 60's, the wind chill factor at speeds over 40 miles per hour is in the low 30's. Riders often misjudge how cold the ride will be because they are freshly out of a warm house and standing still in the warm sunshine. At temperatures below 70°, they should dress in multiple layers, adding and subtracting as necessary. Not only do multiple layers provide versatility, they also create insulated pockets of warm air. While it is com-

Motorcycle Safety Foundation Courses

HRCA (\$39.95/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

Bedford - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - Super 8 Motel & Pennington Field

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

Garland - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-9807 - South Garland High School)

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

McKinney - Motorcycle Training Center (972) 918-7807 - Spring Creek Mall, Highway 5 & Spring Creek in Plano.

Thought for the Month

Happiness comes through doors you didn't even know you left open.
Author Unknown

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Safety Priority #1 - Continued

mon for riders to put on sweatshirts and jackets, the lower body is often ignored.

Thermal underwear and chaps keep feet and knees flexible and ready to function. Thermal socks and ski-sock liners help keep toes cozy. Many ski shops offer an excellent variety in various weights. The old gray variety with the red toes will do the job also. A well-designed winter riding suit made especially for motor-cycling is a bulky but very welcome addition to any rider's wardrobe.

Lightweight riding gloves do little to protect from the cold, and supple hands are critical to quick responses to unexpected hazards. Ski gloves or winter riding gloves with gauntlet flares help keep hands toasty. Some riders add ski glove liners, or use three-finger mittens for added warmth. They should be aware, however, that any added bulk may make operating the controls more awkward.

A face shield is essential, and it should be firmly snapped in place. Those wearing three-quarter helmets may want to consider a ski mask or muffler to keep the chin and throat warm. There are excellent masks which cover the throat, mouth, and nose with a material similar to a lightweight wetsuit, yet allow the rider to breathe and speak comfortably. Some dealerships may have them, but they are more commonly found at sporting goods stores, which offer a line of ski wear.

A luxurious, although expensive, way to keep warm is with an electric suit, gloves, socks, and even heated grips. They draw little current, but offer a lot of overall warmth.

Co-riders should be afforded the same clothing or more, since they often don't get the same protection from the fairing that the rider does.

There's a whole different world of riding in the winter, and we can enjoy it to its fullest if we dress properly.

Addendum to Murphy's Laws

Okay, you've heard of Murphy's famous Law, everything that can go wrong will go wrong. Well, there are many other related Laws. Here are some:

After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch.--**Lorenz's Law of Mechanical Repair**

Identical parts aren't. -- **Beach's Law**

Any tool, when dropped, will roll into the least accessible corner. -- **Anthony's Law of the Workshop**

Nothing is as inevitable as a mistake whose time has come. -- **Tussman's Law**

If it jams, force it. If it breaks, it needed replacing anyway. -- **Lowery's Law**

The solution to a problem changes the problem. -- **Peer's Law**

There is no mechanical problem so difficult that it cannot be solved by brute strength and ignorance. -- **William's Law**

William's Law

Machines should work. People should think. -- **IBM's Pollyanna Principle**

The most ineffective workers will be systematically moved to the place where they can do the least damage, management. -**The Dilbert Principle**

The first rule of intelligent tinkering is to save all the parts.-- **Ehrlich's Law**

It is a mistake to allow any mechanical object to realize that you are in a hurry. -- **Ralph's Observation**

If you tell the boss you were late for work because you had a flat tire, the next morning you will have a flat tire. -- **Cannon's Comment**

Personally, I live by O'Riley's law which says Murphy was an optimist!

THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS



6	Dora Landers
6	Sandy Smith
8	Jorge Perez
9	Frank Brzozowski
11	Bill Brown
12	Mike Keller
12	Barbara Perry
13	Maurice LeBlanc
13	Bobby Wilson
15	Charlie Brock
16	Donn Foster
19	Jeff Haney
23	Glenn Cobb
24	Don Ferguson
26	Jim Leslie
26	Charles Reese

UPCOMING EVENTS

HRCA Ride for Kids

Sunday, October 10, 2004

Start Location:

Dutch Branch Park

Hwy 377 S at Winscott Rd.

Approximately 1 mile South of I-20

Start Time:

Registration Opens: 8:00 a.m.

Registration Closes: 9:45 a.m.

Rain or Shine!!

Ride travels through scenic countryside, with police escort. CELEBRATION OF LIFE program at end-point includes award presentations to individuals, chapter/clubs and festivities.

GRAND PRIZE: Honda Motorcycle

Free coffee/donuts and light lunch

For more information please call (800) 253-6530. If you are unable to attend the Ride you can mail your donations to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, 302 Ridgefield Court, Asheville, NC 28806 and receive your premiums by mail.

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Cycle Raffle

A non-profit agency, Community Lifeline Center, provides emergency financial assistance to families in crisis. We are having a fund raising event on October 8th and 9th. We are conducting a motorcycle raffle to help raise \$\$\$\$. It is a raffle limited to 600 tickets at \$50.00 each. The prize is a pair of Harley-Davidson XL 1200 Roadsters. Please see attached document.

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503 North Kentucky St., Suite A -
McKinney, Texas 75069 - web site:
www.communitylifeline.org - Tele:
972-542-0020 - email: lifeline@air-
mail.net

Southlake Department of Public Safety Police Motorcycle Rodeo.

Southlake DPS will be hosting the 2nd Annual Southlake Showdown Police Motorcycle Rodeo on October 2 - October 3, 2004 at Southlake Town Square. All proceeds from this event benefit Special Olympics Texas. For more information regarding registration, sponsorship, or membership to this event, contact Angelique York at (817) 251-9181 or log onto www.myeventcentral.com/eventdetails.asp?id=111

Sonic Bike Nights

The mild weather this summer has made for some well attended Sonic Bike nights.

Sonic Bike Nights are the third Friday evening each month. Normally, they are the night after the meeting, but this month it will be the Friday before, October 15th.

Mark your calendar now so that you won't forget bike night is the week BEFORE the meeting this month.

Full Moon Rides

The October Full Moon Ride will be on Friday the 29th and will leave from the Chevron / McDonalds in Grapevine at 9pm. This will be the last Full Moon Ride of the season.

As with all of the standing rides, inclement weather will override any "optional" activities.

Mena Arkansas

October 8-10, 2004

We will be leaving from DFW Honda on Friday October 8th at 9am. We will be having lunch at Salina's in Durant, OK, then back roads into Mena, Arkansas.

If you decide at the last minute to go along, the Hotel is the Sun Country Inn, Mena, AR. The phone number is **479-394-7477** or for reservations only, the number is **877-394-7477**. Contact **Dan McDonald**, home phone 817-284-2251 or e-mail newsletter@dfwfreedomriders.org and let him know you're going.

BE THERE - DO THAT SHORT LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/2-3** Southlake Police Rodeo
- 10/3** HRCR Ride to Billy Bob's, benefiting the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation
- 10/3** Stevie Ray Vaughn Ride and concert
- 10/8** Fall Colors Ride - Mena, AR
- 10/10** Ride for Kids
- 10/14-17** South Padre Bike Fest
- 10/15** Sonic Bike Night
- 10/23** Blue Knights Halloween Fun Run
- 10/24** Fellowship Riders Founders 500
- 10/31** Trunk or Treat, contact David Hurt
- 11/21** Progressive Dinner Ride

FOR SALE OR TRADE

2001 Honda Accord EX 4Door Moonroof, All Power, 6CD changer ,67k miles ,4cyl 5speed 30MPG!!!!
Contact: **David Hurt** Hm#
817.281.4545 cell#817.228.2407 09/04

"Bananas & Balloons" - Inspirational stories of motorcycling adventures by **Hilda E. Hatter** puts sunshine into your life. The stories are an extraordinary and true account of her many journeys over 30 years as a lady biker. Acquire an appreciation for those you meet along the way - nature, animals, road travelers, and townsfolk. 300+ pages. \$15.99 + \$1.95 S/H per book. Texas residents must add 8.25% sales tax per order. Shipments outside U.S.A. add 40%. Print name/ address clearly, include area code/ daytime phone number. Mail check or money order to TIGO & Company, P.O. Box 210066, Dallas TX 75211-0066. 214-330-4420 09/04

2003 Honda Shadow 750 equipped with windshield, driving lights, engine case guards, and a passenger backrest, only 64 miles. Asking \$6,800.00
Robert Christopherson 817-514-9084
robertc26@charter.net 08/04

Shoei RF-700 large full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$125.00
HJC M90 medium full face black helmet with J&M head set, asking \$125.00
Robert Christopherson 817-514-9084 robertc26@charter.net 08/04

Like new Honda EU-1000 generator (little red one) Used very little. VERY QUIET, perfect for camping. asking \$550.00
Ken Foster 817-291-7915 08/04

To add or remove items for sale or trade, contact Dan McDonald by e-mail at newsletter@dfwfreedomriders.org, or by phone (817) 284-2251. Items will be removed after two months, unless renewed.

South Padre Anyone?

Anyone interested in attending the South Padre Island Bike Fest Rally October 14-17th, contact **Ralph Tucker** at 817-896-1508.

2004 RALLY SCHEDULE

Date	City	Event	For Information
Oct 21-24	Daytona Beach, FL	Biketoberfest	www.biketoberfest.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 -

Friday or Saturday closest 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.

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Sonic Bike Nights

CCFW & Southern Cruisers - 2nd Friday -

7:00-8:30 pm Hurst Sonic - 1308 Precinct Line Road

Lambs DFW Freedom Riders - 3rd Friday - 7-9 pm

Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Hwy

GWRRRA U-2 - 4th Friday - 7-9 pm

Grapevine Sonic, West of Main on Northwest Hwy



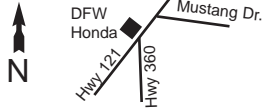
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE SOUTHLAKE M/C RODEO
3 STEVIE RAY VAUGHAN MEMORIAL RIDE SOUTHLAKE M/C RODEO	4	5 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	6	7 7:00PM DINNER RUN	8 7:00PM - CCFW & SOUTHERN CRUISERS BIKE NIGHT - PRECINCT LINE ROAD IN HURST	9 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE FALL COLORS TRIP - MENA, AR
10 FALL COLORS TRIP	11	12	13	14 7:00PM DINNER RUN	15 7:00PM - DFWFR GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	16 9:00AM GWRRRA U-2 MEETING 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
17	18	19	20	21 7:00PM DFWFR MEETING	22 7:00PM - GWRRRA U2 GRAPEVINE SONIC BIKE NITE	23 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE TO KAUFMAN KAUFMAN CHILDREN'S CTR CMA CHANGING OF THE COLORS RALLY - MENA, AR RIDE FOR TRAILS MOTORCYCLE RALLY - TERLINGUA, TX BIKETOBERFEST - DAYTONA BEACH, FL
24 CMA RALLY - MENA, AR RIDE FOR TRAILS BIKETOBERFEST	25	26	27 7:00PM GWTA CHAPTER B MEETING	28 7:00PM DINNER RUN	29 FULL MOON RIDE	30 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE
31	1	2 7:00PM CMA FISHERMEN MEETING	3	4 7:00PM DINNER RUN	5	6 10:00AM DFW HONDA RIDE

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)



Chapter #364

Rider's Club of America™

Motorcycle Association Monthly Meetings

Lamb's DFW 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
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 October 2004.</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 October 2004.</small></p>
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Coupons cannot be combined with any other coupon or offer.

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Meeting Location

This month's meeting will be at Spring Creek BBQ in Grapevine at Highway 114 and Main St.