



“ON THE TRAIL”

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Editor's Note:

Winter is wrapping up here in the Mid-West and soon spring will be here, (although we haven't had much of a winter... YET..) the throttle itch will come to an end. We will plan trips, take day rides and just take the bikes out because it's just that nice of a day. The whole time we're riding we're listening to the sound of the motor, and looking at the sceneries while we try not to lose focus on the road.

Riding the old machines has a few different add-ons, we think about the last thing we worked on, how many miles did I go from the last time I got gas, I hope my kidneys hold up on this hard tail, when I stop I don't want to kick this thing 10 times to start it.....!#%\$#@!!!

When it comes down to it, old machines' or modern, go out and enjoy what your riding and be careful for all the elements and those crazy big shiny cars and trucks out there. *R.C.* 😊



Presidents Letter:

Lawrence show was a success:

The show went smoothly with the exception of a toilet trying to flood the men's room. We found out how much Jim was doing and I can say; I was completely worn out as I would say a number of us were. The weather was great, even though they were talking about snow just a few days before, and we all know snow in Kansas never melts it just blows away. It looks to have been one of our better shows and made us a little money. I want to thank Doug Rollert for his work in getting the primo bikes to the show; without these special bikes entered it would just be an average show. I also want to thank Joe Madrid for finding a great enclosed trailer at a great price to use for this show, and thanks to everyone that put effort into this show making it the best vintage show in the mid-west. It's getting warmer and we will start seeing these old bikes of ours on the road again. Here are some events coming up

Up Coming Events:

Sat-Sun Feb 25th 26th Wide open bike show (contact Raul If you want to bring an antique bike to display for free)

Sat. April 1st Twisted Oz Motorcycle show and swap

Sun. May 14th Bill Brown ride in show

Sun. June 4th Hoame show

Sat June 10th Lake side speedway flat track races

Sat July 15th Sedalia flat track races sponsored by Yeager

Also in June date not set yet Antique motorcycle ride to Yellowstone national park bikes must be 35yrs or older contact Jack(El Presdente) for more info.

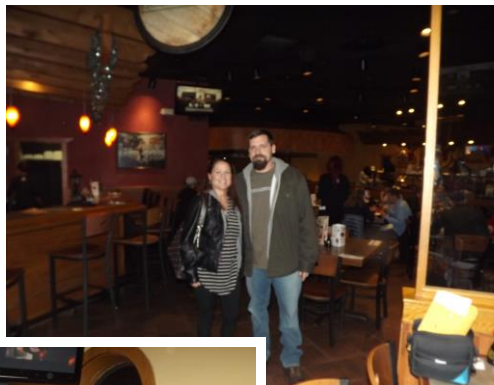
See Ya in the wind. *Jack*

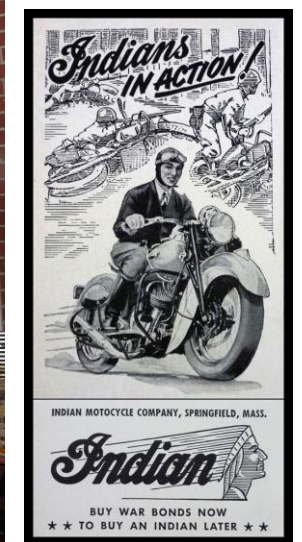
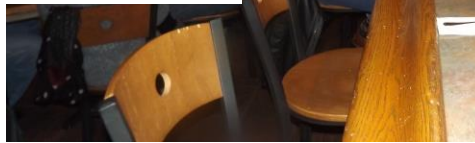


More Info to come on the web-site soon, check back with us.

The Annual holiday party at BD'S Mongolian BBQ

The annual Holiday party is becoming a tradition at BD'S; I think we have had this meal here for the last 4yrs that I can think of. Everybody seems to enjoy the food and the atmosphere. This year we had a good showing of members, and the food was good as always. I hope everyone had a good time and enjoyed the food.





Thank you all for taking the time out of your lives to share in the annual holiday dinner.



2017 Vintage motorcycle show and swap.

Wow, I think Jack hit the nail on the head when he said that running the show this year was a little more wearing; I have to agree with him; I was beat by the end of the Sunday. We stayed up late checking bikes and vendors, and then getting up early to start letting in the vendors and the motorcycles again. We had Vendors waiting to get in at 6am to set up their spots. The bikes started rolling in early Saturday and keep right on going till 9am Sunday. The bike wranglers were busy corralling them all up. Once the general public started coming in we had to switch roles from set up show to run the show now. The kitchen was hopping, the people kept coming in, the crowds gathered around the bikes, you could follow the crowd around the building, it was like schools of fish, they would Ooo and ahhh as they were walking past these beautiful and rare bikes. At one point I noticed Doug Rollert just hovering around the pristine and very rare bikes keeping an eye on the crowd watching out for the bikes making sure nothing happens. We all took our turns just cruising around the building making sure all is well.



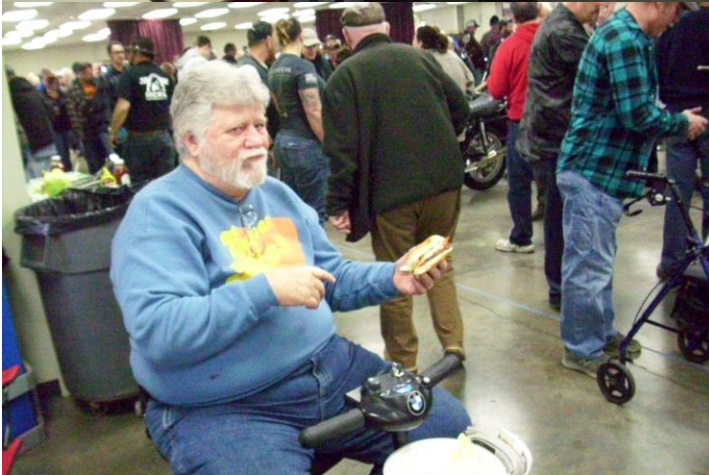




Frank and Leland in their usual spot sitting signing in bikes tallying the votes.



The Ladies tried to be serious, but, it didn't work Sherry had to bust a move. We are very lucky to have the Ladies handle the cooking every year, I'm sure it's a lot of work. Thank you Sherry, Kelly and Mary for all the work you put into to running the kitchen.





Doug got some relief from watching the bikes up front. As he was wandering around taking in some of the bikes he runs across these kids standing by their bikes. (Now these kids had been by their bikes all day, I had the pleasure of talking to the father on the phone a few days before the show he asked if he could bring the scooters and how he likes to get his kids involved with the motorcycles)

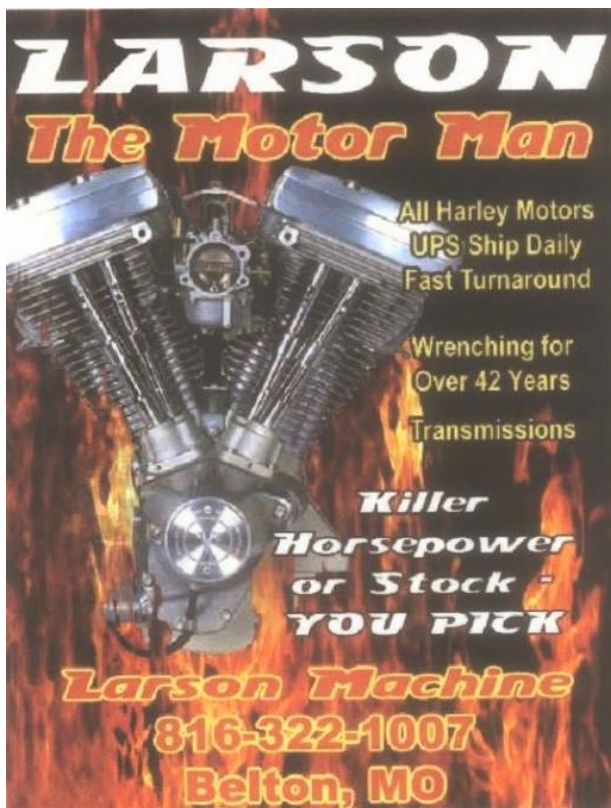


Doug see's Calvin cleaning on his bike and said to him "is that a Clinton motor?" Doug said that Calvin lit up and responded "wow! You know what this is?" Doug said "yeah" Calvin goes on to tell Doug about how his dad found this motor on the back of a utility truck and they got it home and found that the piston was seized but, the crank was ok. Doug went on to tell Calvin about when he was young he waited weeks for a motor to show up in the mail for his bike. Doug is over 6' tall Calvin is about 5' tall, but, I think by the time them 2 got done talking to each other they saw eye to eye. By the time Doug was done talking to Calvin he was impressed by the understanding these kids had about their bikes, he had to make a TROPHY happen. Now all the trophy's had been assigned already, he thought of giving one of his but it would have been the wrong class. Dan Holman (SFTrail) and Kelly Modlin (of the sunflower chapter, and is the reason for Twisted Oz Museum in Kansas), came up with the idea of using Kelly's special interest trophy for Calvin, and the rest is history. We only have split seconds to make great decisions in life. Thank you Doug, Dan and Kelly M. for making this one happen. AWESOME!!!





See ya'll. Thanks!



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