

**No bike and I was still busier than a one-legged man in a ...**

I'm going through bike withdrawal while I await a custom part for my ride but that didn't mean I didn't have a lot to do. This week was busy and next will be just as busy.

**What we did last week:**

Our monthly officer's meeting was held at the dealership on Tuesday, Feb 28th at 6:30p. We discussed future rides and activities and the ongoing effort to bring the Texas State Rally here to San Antonio. It seems the Alamo Dome officials provided a rate that no one can beat so we're confident our chapter can bring it here for 2013. Stay tuned for more, lots more!

Great chapter social held at Fuddruckers on Thursday, March 1st at 6:30p. Lots of information passed on the Sonora ride, the Texas State Rally and up coming rides. Our prize ticket puller managed to randomly pull tickets with consecutive numbers. We need to get him to pull lottery numbers for us.

The chapter held their road captain and new member orientation meetings Saturday morning as well as a hotdog fund raiser. We'd like to welcome our newest/returning members Steve and Brenda Norvise, Jose "Louie" Valdez, Nelia Torres-Sanchez, Ruben Rios and Jesse Lomas to our chapter. That makes 105 members and counting. Glad you joined our chapter and I'm confident y'all will enjoy our events and rides. Chach took the new members on the Divine pre-ride to switch things up a bit.

**What's coming up this week:**

DeVry University is hosting an event on Saturday, March 10th at 10:00a to honor those who lost their lives in Vietnam. They will have a traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall on display here in San Antonio from Florida. The wall will arrive in San Antonio on Wednesday, March 8th. The event coordinator has requested as many bikes as possible to escort this display into town to the DeVry University site. The escort ride will happen rain or shine. Details are as follows:

Wednesday, March 8th - Escort Traveling Vietnam Memorial into San Antonio

KSU: 8:30a

Location: Be in place at the Flying J Truck Plaza at IH-10 and Foster Road no later than 8:15a

Road captains supplied by event coordinator.

Ride Rating: Short/Advanced (Highway, large groups)

The LOH is gathering at the Stockyards (Hwy 151 and Westover Hills) around 7:00pm on Friday, March 9th. No RSVP needed, just show up to say toodles to Ana "Fireball" Valdez before she departs on her training odyssey.

The LOH ride to the Market Days in Boerne originally scheduled for KSU 11:00a Saturday March 10th has been cancelled. Don't worry, there will be other LOH rides.

Saturday, March 10th - Travelling Vietnam Memorial Wall Event

Event time: 10:00a

Location: DeVry University

Sunday, March 11th - Ride to CCC Steak House, Divine TX

KSU 1:00p (Safety briefing begins at 12:45p)

Lead RC - Greg "Chach" Valdez; Sweep RC - Ana "Fireball" Valdez

2nd Group Lead RC - Dee "Deester" Duarte; Sweep RC - Ismael "Smiley" Lara

Ride Rating: Short/Advanced (Highway, curvy roads)

**Other news:**

The deadline for signing up for the Sonora ride is **Tuesday, March 13th**. If you want to go on this overnight ride, you must **RSVP Gary "Kick It" Sitrler** ([gsitrler@satx.rr.com](mailto:gsitrler@satx.rr.com)) on or before that day. There will be at least 2 vehicles following the group that can carry stuff you don't want to carry on the bikes. This ride will happen rain or shine. If it rains, we will simply park the bikes and go in our vehicles. The weather call will be made the night before and those that are going will be notified to bring a bike or cage. In case you forgot, the ride is KSU 8:30a on Saturday, March 31st returning April 1st.

The LOH will have a ladies only event at Eva "White Tail" Mathena home (9623 Boonsboro, SA TX 78245) on **Thursday, March 15th**. Please RSVP Eva at [eva.mathena@gmail.com](mailto:eva.mathena@gmail.com) if you will be attending this event.

Caliente will sponsor a Blessing of the Bikes event on **Saturday, March 17th**. The first blessing begins at 12:45p and running every hour thereafter until 4:00p. The corvette club will be there as well as the Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders. We need a lot of volunteers for traffic control/parking as well as food preparation beginning around 10:00a. This is a very well advertised event so hundreds of bikes are expected. Please volunteer for this to make it a success for the dealership as well as our chapter.

The Marrow Me Bone Marrow Ride is scheduled for **Saturday, March 24th** with a KSU at 9:00a. This is a one-way ride to Texas Pride. A breakfast fundraiser is planned for that morning so we'll need volunteers to prepare and serve food.

Save **Sunday, May 27th** in your calendars for our chapter's Memorial Day event. We're planning a full day of activities, music, games for the kids, and food. More to follow but write down May 27th on your calendars as a "HOG day".

Plans are in the works for assembling a chapter member cook book. If you have recipes you'd like to share, please get them ready and forward them to either Maria or me.

We're also looking for design ideas for chapter T-shirts that we can wear at this year's Texas State Rally. Please forward any ideas to either Maria or me as well.

Finally we'd like to welcome our new Caliente dealer liaison Tammy Helene. She is very proactive and involved in our chapter and we're looking forward working with her.

We sure do have a lot going on this month don't we?

**Squirrel says, "See Ya!"**