

BROTHERS OF THE THIRD WHEEL

DFW Chapter-Newsletter

December, 2008

Hello again Trikers,

We had about 30 people show up at our December meeting. It was good to have so many there, as we had some issues to discuss, that we needed the members opinion's about. Our clubhouse has always been ours to use, free of charge, for the last 3 years. That is about to change. Haskin Properties has decided to charge a small fee for the building next year. The vote was unanimous, to pay this fee out of our chapter funds. This is better for us actually, because, we now don't have to worry about being asked to move out at any time. Before, we always used the building, with the understanding that we might have to move at any given moment. This should work out, so that we don't have that worry except once a year.

Also at the December meeting, our Sgt. at Arms, Wildman, stepped down. We will be voting on chapter officers at the January meeting, January, 9th, 2009. Can't believe I'm saying 2009 already. Time flies when you're having fun!

In order to pay for the building, we will be organizing the chapter membership a little more aggressively. We will keep a list of chapter members, their BTW membership numbers & status, and chapter dues. You cannot be a chapter member if you are not a BTW member. Our chapter dues will not go up at this time. If we have problems with the bills later down the road, we will discuss raising them at a meeting and take a vote. Chapter dues as of now, are \$5 per month, or \$50 per year. This will all be explained at the January meeting.

Of course, as always, everyone is welcome to chapter events and meetings. But only chapter members have a say, and a vote on all chapter issues and decisions.

The new "DFW CHAPTER WEBSITE" should be up and running any day now! I get asked about this on a regular basis. (You reading this Joe "Ya Know"?) The way I understand it, Jay & Cynthia are just waiting for me to start sending them stuff to put on it. (So Joe, send me the for sale info & a pic of the trike and I'll forward it on). If ya'll could, please send me pic's of you and your trikes, so we can get a members photo's page going. If you don't have email, then bring them to us and we'll get them to the webmaster.

STUFF TO DO

This Saturday, Dec., 20th. Chinese Christmas party at the clubhouse. Bring some thing to snack on if you want. Not sure how it works on the gift thing, but last time we did this, it was fun. Just bring something to put under the tree. Don't go crazy on the price. Keep it cheap. We all got our other families to take care of. Hope to see ya'll there.

This Sunday, 21st, "The Big Texas Toy Run". Supposed to be cold, so leather up folks. I will have the clubhouse open by 9 that morning, if any of ya'll wants to meet up and ride in together. There will be an "after the toy run party" at the 2500 Club to raise money for the kids as well. Our own Mike "Roundman" Parnell will be working the auction there, and he would love to see some of his BTW brothers & sisters come out and join him.

We have our annual Chili Cook Off coming up in February.

We have tentatively scheduled a fish fry for this coming April. Stay tuned for more info on that. It always turns out to be a huge event when BTW-DFW, starts cooking fish.

We will be returning to Young's campground for Memorial Day weekend again this coming year. Again, more info on that coming soon. Planning a group ride to Jacksboro for a day this year.

Remember folks, the best way to keep up with what we have coming up is to come to the monthly meetings. But for those of you that live too far away, we will keep sending out these letters.

Hope to see some of you this weekend. If not, have a safe and a Merry Christmas. And watch out for the idiots out there on New Years Eve.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: 7 pm, Friday, January 9th, 2009. (There's that number again)

Till next time,

Ride safe, Ride free, Ride three.

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