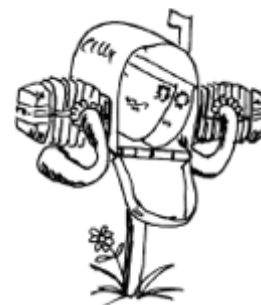


The Mail Boxer

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The Prez Says

Greetings all!

Warm greetings from the West Coast of Florida, that was last week, it cooled off to the mid 60's this week, its good to be back to the deep freeze.

Couple of things coming up at the next meeting.

1 - input from the membership about the entertainment for GR3 this year. And 2 - further discussion on choice of banquet location for November party. We've had a few suggestions. Bert has suggested a spaghetti board. Any other ideas or restaurants, send them on to Dawn.

February 2nd, day of the ground hog, midwinter, warmer weather on the way.

Further where and what's happening in the column to the right » » »

*Stay warm,
Dick*

And from the Tsaritsa (aka: VP)

Preview of "The Bad Randy's" Band—they play Blues & Boogie & are quite versatile. Peter, Heidi, Brian, Mariah & I went to the London Chili Cook off & danced our pants off (not literally) but I did strip off my sweater. They are Great to listen & dance to! One example, they played Black Magic Woman followed by a Merle Haggert song both done exceptionally well! I'll bring more info to the meeting.

Bring your band/music suggestions along with pricing (ensure they are available). CD or sample of their music is welcome. We'll be voting and making a decision at the meeting 2/2.

At breakfast we'll also be talking about where to have our November 8, 2014 Banquet. Bring your suggestions with names of restaurants.

So let's have a BIG Turnout at Hilltop on 2/2 to decide on the Banquet venue & for music for the 40th GR3.

Dawn

Upcoming Events

February 2nd, 2014
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

March 2nd, 2014
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

April 6th, 2014
Club Breakfast
Hilltop Restaurant
Cty. P, Pine Bluff
Meet at 9:00 am
Breakfast at 9:30
Meeting to follow

April 27th, 2014
Wild Goose Run
TVH to lead ride
More info TBA

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A Valentines Day Tribute

to those we love

2013 saw the loss of some loved ones. Bert and Laurel both lost their mothers about a month apart. Dawn and Peter lost a good friend. And there were others. My memory is too poor to remember them all.

2014 just got under way when Tom's mother passed. Dawn and Heidi both had to put their moms in care facilities.

You never know when a loved one will be moving on. Please take a moment after reading the tribute below, written by Tom in memory of his wonderful mother, and pick up the phone, call someone you love, and let them know they have not been forgotten.

On a cold night in march of 1926, one Anne Paltz was in labor in a small rented farmhouse outside of Pine Bluff. In due time, Gervaise Paltz emerged squalling.

Unexpectedly, Anne's labor continued, and a scrawny, sickly girl also showed. The doctor looked her over and said, "She won't survive the night—just bury her when she stops breathing." She was stubbornly still breathing come morning, and so was named Germaine...

...And she kept breathing, through a poor depression childhood and a world war. She married a shy veteran named Stanley, outlived both parents and four siblings, and bore three children, one of whom (for better or worse) was me...

...Her run ended at 5 this morning. And so I guess it's upon us - three children, five grandchildren and three great-grandkids - to remember...

...In her day, Mom had a great singing voice, and was offered a gig with the Stan Kenton Orchestra (which, being a shy farm girl, she didn't accept - don't all lives contain might-have-beens?) her 'signature' tune was this: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nvq4OnhMEO4> (*I'll Be Seeing You*).

Goodbye, Mom. I'll be seeing you...



Love them now. Don't wait til they're gone away.

Love them now. While they're around.

Love them hold them laugh and cry with them. Touch them tell them don't deny them.

Honor them give birth and die with them NOW.

Love them now. Before they're just a faded memory, Love them know, Love them now.

—old song lyrics—

Secretary's Report

by Sherry Atkinson

January 5th, 2014 Meeting Minutes



President Richard called the meeting to order. VIP Dawn has information on a Hotel for the National MOA Rally in Minneapolis. The Ramada Plaza will give us a group discount. We need about 10 people to be eligible. Give them a call to reserve your room. 612-331-1900. They will provide a free shuttle to the rally Grounds. More information to follow. At next month's meeting we will discuss if we should hold our annual banquet at the Elks club our change locations.

In Rally News, we are going to try a few new things this year. We will have a few co-chairs the lucky victims are-Registration Jim Harms, Sanitation, Sam Garst and Door Prizes Sherry Atkinson. If you would like to volunteer for anything let us know. This is our 40th Anniversary of this Rally. We are searching for ideas to make this one really great. Several suggestions for bands have been made. An anniversary cake is being considered. If anyone has photos of past rallies we would really like copies. If you have any great story's please let us know.

Don't forget it's membership renewal time. Please pay your dues at the next meeting or send them to John Ong.

There has been some interest of having another conceal carry class. So far at least five people have voiced interest. The class would be led by Tom Van Horn. The Atkinson have volunteered their shop again. We can discuss and get a better count and set up dates at the next meeting.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Tom Van Horn and his family in the loss of his mother. A donation has been made to Hospice in honor of his mother.

50/50 winner: Ben Atkinson

Februarys Meeting: Hill Top

Stay Warm!
Secretary Sherry

This Month's Photo

Submit your caption(s) on the club's Facebook page.



Time to Join or Renew Your Club Membership

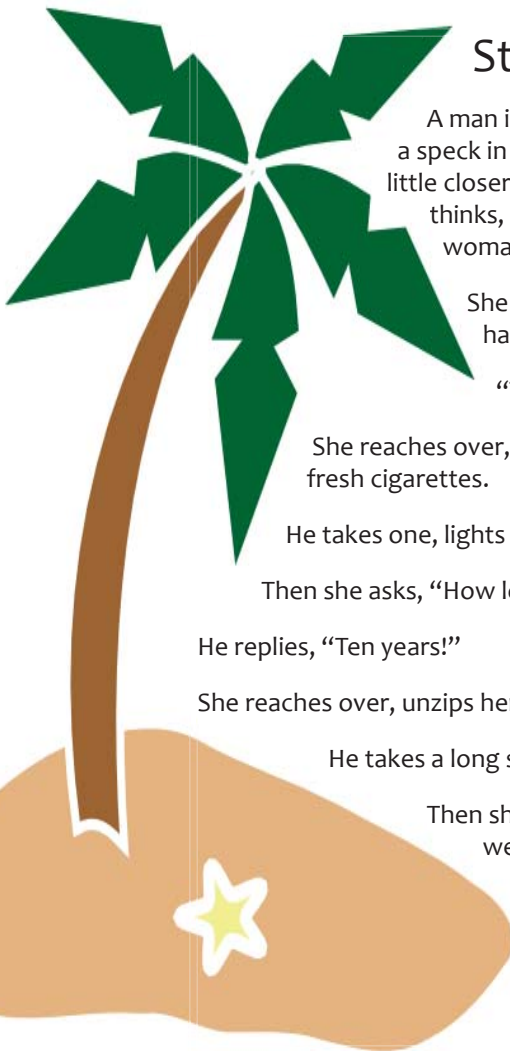
The Madison BMW Motorcycle Club is a great place to find like-minded riders who understand why a dog sticks his head out the window.

If you're not a member, here's your chance to join and get all the privileges of membership in 2014. Just \$20 (\$25 / + family member) gets you all of the following:

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If you are a current member, please take a few minutes to renew your membership. Fill out the membership form if any of your information has changed.



Stranded On An Island:

A man is stranded on a desert island, all alone for ten years. One day, he sees a speck in the horizon. He thinks to himself, "It's not a ship." The speck gets a little closer and he thinks, "It's not a boat." The speck gets even closer and he thinks, "It's not a raft." Then, out of the surf comes this gorgeous blonde woman, wearing a wet suit and scuba gear.

She comes up to the guy and she says, "How long has it been since you've had a cigarette?"

"Ten years!" he says.

She reaches over, unzips a waterproof pocket on her left sleeve and pulls out a pack of fresh cigarettes.

He takes one, lights it, takes a long drag and says, "Man, oh man! Is that good!"

Then she asks, "How long has it been since you've had a drink of whiskey?"

He replies, "Ten years!"

She reaches over, unzips her waterproof pocket on the right, pulls out a flask and gives it to him.

He takes a long swig and says, "Wow, that's fantastic!"

Then she starts unzipping this long zipper that runs down the front of her wet suit and she says to him, "And how long has it been since you've had some REAL fun?"

And the man replies, "My God! Don't tell me you've got a motorcycle in there!"

To all attendees of the BMW MOA Rally at the MN State Fairgrounds July 24-27, 2014:

I have signed a group rate contract of \$92 (king or 2-double room) with the Ramada Plaza Minneapolis for the rally. Ask for BMW MOA Rally for this rate.

We need 10 rooms reserved to get this price by July 7th. Unclaimed rooms after 7/7 will then be released for others. With taxes, the room rate will be \$104.33 their usual rate is \$129 with tax.

The hotel DOES have a shuttle we can reserve from 7:30 am to 10:30 pm daily within 5 miles. The fairgrounds is 3.5 miles away. It is a 4 star hotel with lots of amenities plus an Italian restaurant - see website above. Breakfast is on your own & not included.

Call 612-331-1900 or 877-774-4315 & ID yourself with the group.

Dawn, Vice Prez



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- Sam Hokin — *What's with the sidecar?*
- Corrine Jutz — *My wife dared me to ride this winter!
A motorcycle in hand is worth more than 2 snowmobiles in the bush!*
- Tom Norn — *Past editor Meredith Hassall penned a similar thing with her oilhead 'GS - great minds think alike, nicht wahr?..*
- John Bollig — *FOR SALE OR TRADE: Motivated Wisconsin seller will swap Vintage Beemer for snowmobile.*



One can never have too many hugs or laughs too often. 

“Love doesn't make the world go 'round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile.”

— Franklin P. Jones —

“The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard, but must be felt with the heart.”

— Helen Keller —

“True love is when your heart and your mind are saying the same thing.”

— Leanna L. Bartram —

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