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The Border Boys came running but were held back by the Michigan Road Hammers, outnumbered by about two to one. The group of spectators formed a circle around Cain and Tank. Bubba told them; "No knives! The last time you two fought the police showed up and shut me down for a month." Bending over he picked up both the knives. As Bubba stood, some of the Michigan Road Hammers grabbed him and held him back. Cain seeing that he would have no further interruptions, smiled at Tank holding out his big fist in front of Tank's face saying; "Guess its bare knuckles for you then!"

Tank and Cain were now completely encircled and no one was going to stop them. Smiling at each other, knowing that they were finally going to be able to smash in the other man's face, each had wanted to do this since the first day they met. They dove at each other, their fury raging, the fight was on! From the start of the fight everyone could see that Cain was a dirty fighter, kneeling Tank in the groin or thumbing him in the eye whenever he got the chance.

Tank was the better fighter; if he would miss with a punch, he would pull his arm back sharply using his elbow and catch Cain behind the ear, cracking him good. If he would miss with a left, he would lean in and drive his left up and catch Cain with a wicked upper cut! Cain's nose and upper lip was starting to ooze blood, you could tell that Cain was becoming winded. It was only a matter of time before Tank came out the victor.

Tank fell on top of Cain bringing his big powerful fist back to pop Cain in the face with again, and shut out his lights for the night. Cain reached down inside his boot and brought out a piece of cold, hardened steel, a piece of flat steel that he had sharpened to a finely edged point. He had wrapped the other end of the flat metal with some electrical tape, finishing the home-made shiv. Pulling the shiv out of his boot he punched Tank in the kidneys and spleen with it over and over again. Blood coming off of the shiv splattered on the wall.

Tank fell over onto the sawdust and beer stained floor grabbing at his mortally wounded side grimacing in pain. Grabbing Cain's wrist he held Cain's hand up so everyone in the bar could see the shiv that was clutched tightly in his hand. Cain's

biker buddies, who had been holding back the Border Boys, grabbed Cain and angrily asked him what the hell he thought he was doing?! Someone had called 911 and in the distance police sirens could be heard. People started to run; the Michigan Road Hammers shoved Cain out the front door swearing, running for their bikes.

Tank lay dying on the sawdust covered floor as his blood mixed together with the spilled beer. The images around him started to fade as he thought to himself; "I'm sure glad that I told my Baby that I love her." As the lights in the bar started to dim and go dark for Tank, even as the Border Boys were yelling at him to hang on, that help was on the way, as the music from the band seemed to drift farther and farther away, Tank slowly slipped away.

No one is perfect and no one is without fault, if you're lucky enough to find a good friend, watch over them until the band is through for the night, because you may never come across a good friend like this again.

Until my next Bar Story; Keep the Shiny Side Up, the Rubber to the Road, and Ride On!

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New Fun at Speedway during the Fall Ride.

The Tomahawk Fall Ride has a few new happenings going on this year at the Speedway. As in the past, the track will be open to the public Saturday Sept. 17th, 10 am-3pm for shopping and fun. For a small \$2 donation to MDA, you will get some great bargains with the huge array of vendors, from leather to jewelry to crafts. Midwest Biker has added this year for an even more fun filled day of events a "CHOPPER CHALLENGE" Custom Bike Show "UNDER THE BIG TOP" with over \$500.00 in cash prizes.

With upcoming builders like Mike Osbourne of Osbourne Pro Street and Ken Kuhnke of Cycle X and Dave Cook of Cook Custom. Enter your best looking bike for cash and trophies. All bikes and shops welcome!!

Midwest Biker Promotion and the Free Riders Press is pleased to announce that Ray Kittel (Ray's M/C Show World) will be serving as Chief Show Judge & Bike Show Event Coordinator for this year's Chopper Challenge Custom Bike Show. Ray is the premier bike show judge in the Midwest with over twelve years experience judging and coordinating custom motorcycle shows that has taken him to seven different states. This unparalleled experience means that the "Chopper Challenge" will provide fair, fun, and rewarding bike show competition. Bike show registration begins at 8:00 AM and closes at 11:00 AM. Spectator voting ends at 1:30 PM and the awards presentations begin at 3:00 PM. For more info on the show email Ray at srolln69@hotmail.com or call 920-261-8672.

Along with the bike show, there will be The Bad Girls of Oil Wrestling, a rock climbing wall and a mechanical bull onsite for added fun. But if that isn't enough, come join in the fun with

bike games put on by Top Hat's Motorcycle Rodeo 1-3 pm on Saturday. Contests include the always popular weenie bite, half barrel roll, tire toss and slow race just to name a few, with trophy's going to the days winners. For more info on the Fall Ride check out www.tomahawkfallride.com.

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