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## From the Editor:

Hey there all. This month I am going to jump right into my peeves. I don't want anyone to take them personally as I am not pointing fingers at anyone in particular. I have been very proud of the motorcycles community all my life. Helping people out when needed, giving families a Christmas when they are down, all the charities and benefits that are successful the whole year through. Which brings me to my point here. During the American Biker Convention held here in Point the 15th, (an event everyone should have attended in my view) Top the MC for the event told all the Brothers and Sisters in attendance that, " Preacher, from the Free Riders Press seems to be everywhere, all over the place doing stories, taking pictures etc." The way my gas receipts read, he is correct. Now as Toby Keith puts it, " I wanna talk about me." Last month I put a small invite into the paper to let people know that they were invited to my B-day party at Marty's Bar in New London. If you look back at the calender there was absolutely nothing else happening in the area that I knew about. I would like to thank the Armed Forces MC Brothers Koa, Hellcat and his wife------for showing up. I really do appreciate it. As for the other 20,000 readers of the paper every month, I know what I'd like to say but I will keep my tongue in check. I'm sure many had to keep them bar stools warmed up all night, or maybe had other events to go to (where I don't know). Maybe the state PTA meeting was that night and everyone that reads this paper is a card carrying member. Ya, that's gotta be it. The way I see it what goes around, comes around. End of Bitch.

And now for the bike nights, let the fun begin. As of August 1st I have discontinued the bike night due to poor attendances at some of them. Some do great (15-30 bikes) while others have had noone show up. The bad thing is with these low attendances make me look bad for my advertisers, and I don't like to look bad. Now I know these are during the week, and we all can't just pick up and ride off for hours due to work the next day. But in my opinion there is no reason you can't hit one of these a month. There **is** one near you!! I know in my own area there were a couple of places that noone showed up, but on my way home I seen many riders sitting in watering holes having a cool one. Is it just me or am I wasting my time with these nights. So here's what I am going to do. Any advertiser that wants to have a Free Riders Press Bike Night give me a call and I will keep my word and run it in the calender for you. Complaint department closed.

I would like to give a quick mention to the gang at Spee-dee Delivery Service. I cannot say enough about how much easier and how much money I've saved using these guys. They give shipping a personal touch. Unlike the big shipping companies that seem to just want to take your cash and send you out the door. Tom the night guy at the Plover office has given us some good ideas and has worked to save us with our weights and amounts of papers shipped. I would highly recommend using Speedy, they're fast friendly and very reliable. Check them out at www.speedeedelivery.com to see what they can do for you.

Lastly, If you notice I do not go on many poker runs start to finish for one reason, drinking and riding. I have made

a lot of friends through this paper and I don't like to see them not be able to ride due to excessive drinking. I don't want to be there when they take a spill. Personally it scares the shit out of me. I love all my Brothers and Sisters and really don't want to be put in the situation of roadside tending any of you, (Been there, didn't like it). I know drinking and riding will happen, but please be careful. Set up some food during the run. Even if it helps a little, it's better than nothing.

Till next Month Preacher

## **Brothers Lost**

\*\*\* On Friday, 5/26/06, we lost a good friend and a great biker, Bob Whitney.

The WestBank Motorcycle club had a ride to Bob's funeral on Wednesday, 5/31/06. The ride to the funeral was led by WBMC Treasurer

Mark Koch. There were at least 50 bikes, and many more riders that went on the ride to Bob's funeral. It was a chance for many of us to remember riding with Bob, doing what he lived and loved to do.



Upon arrival at the funeral home, there were at least three other groups that either had arrived, or were in the

process of arriving. At least 5 chapters of the CMA (Christian Motorcyclists Association) were present, as well as some members of the Bond Slaves and A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota. Bob was a member of many motorcycle groups in the area, and friends with many others.

Estimates of bikes in the parking lot were at least 200 or more with many more riders and passengers. There was also something there that many had never seen before, a motorcycle hearse which was a fitting addition to the lot of the funeral for the remembrance of a biker with the passion and love for the road as Bob had.

The funeral home was packed to overflowing with friends and family of Bob's. There were many photos of Bob all over the place, and his motorcycle had a center stage of honor where everyone was invited to sign and add thoughts or wishes for Bob.

The funeral had many people in attendance and not just a few speakers with heartfelt stories, thoughts and wishes for Bob on his new Journey into the Unknown. Our thoughts are with you Bob! You will be missed! Wade Wendorf

\*\*\*\* All of us who knew Kivi, know he is revving-it-up in a better place. We will greatly miss him until we all meet again. Jynx



Better late than never, Congrats Todd & Terri.



Smile Kevin, your in the Free Riders Press!

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