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Well here it is Almost August already. I am typing this with thoughts of the VNVMC Summer Twister party dancing through my head. Who knows what the weekend brings, but I see some beer in it's future. For those of you that have never seen me drink, there always seems to be reminders around as proof to my fun. Oh well, screw the reminders, let's party.....

I have been spending a lot of time working on my new project at the Nunnikoven Art Stone Company. If you haven't seen the stuff yet check it out. It's way cool. www.nunnikovenartstone.com. Why so much time there, well let's just say you will all know my future plans next month. Let's just leave it at that for now.

My birthday bash went well. I will have more on that next month as well. What do I really got to say????? Not much at this time, but when I do, let's just say it may be an "oh, shit" moment. So my suggestion is to get on the scoots and ride like the wind. Ride hard, ride free and remember to drive sober, I can't handle a whole lot more heartbreak in my life. I would rather celebrate the life of all my biker family while they are live in person.

*You have no idea how many of these kind of e-mails I get. I have one person that goes out of her way to make sure the paper is out on time. Is very supportive and I believe more proud of the Free Riders Press than I am. Many of you have met her over the past 10 years and ALL have had nothing but glorious things to say. I can say for myself that my mom rocks. She is tops in my book, and I love her very much for it. Thanks for all your support mom.*

Hey Preacher, met your mom today while buying some campfire wood at clear lake. Spunky and full of good stories. Told me about her bmw and other bikes, yes even the scooter. I was placing the wood on the top of my trailblazer and she was worried about me damaging the paint. Told her it was just my utility vehicle. She noticed my Harley shirt and asked if a Harley was my primary ride. That's how the conversation got started. Your lucky to have a mom that rides and still lives for that. If i would have had my Ultra with i would have offered her a ride. Take her dude, i can tell she wants to ride, it was a pleasure exchanging stories with her and she gave me an older issue of Free Riders Press. Thank you for your work. I would have written more but i am typing on my cell phone. I will look you up from Franklin, Wi. And look forward to subscribing to your paper. Ride on brother, be safe. Paul

**Another E-mail:**

I am not sure exactly who I met today, but she was at a garden club event. She said that she delivered Free Riders Press ( Great paper by the way) and her son published it. She has a 600 Beamer and a smaller scooter. I only had the opportunity to talk to her for about 5 minutes, What a cool lady! She told me about her ride down 51 to Point and then to Eau Claire>>>>> Talk about living



life to its fullest!!!!!! She was a pleasant surprise to my day, I thoroughly enjoyed meeting her.... All I can say is RIDE ON!!

Picture painted to the left was done by a good friend and all around righteous brother. "Koa". He was one of the few that took the time to come to my birthday bash at the end of June. This is what I call total respect, loyalty and friendship, something that is easy to lose but can last a life time. Thanks for the picture titled "She Stayed a Blue Star Mother". You have no idea what it means to us.

**Meet This Month's Next Generation Riders.**

**Left- Meet Zach 16 months old and in love with all things H-D. This picture is from one of his favorite places, the Harley Museum.**

**Right- \_\_\_\_\_ says' "Let's ride Grandpa Willie".**



*Thanks to everyone that sent in their pride and joys for the Next Generation section. Hope you all enjoyed for the scrapbook.*



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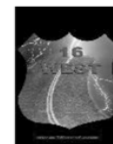
Matt Ritter July'81-April'12



Matt was a loving husband to Michelle and a proud Daddy to his young children

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