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As you all know I have been busy doing a couple different things. Along the way I have met some really cool people. Like roger from Virginia who is President of the STAR Touring & Riding Assoc. As most of you know have the gift of gab. Well it turns out Roger is an avid rider, an Army vet of multiple tours in the desert and was telling me about a run his group did to a veterans home for an ice cream social. This is what makes hauling fun. The people! But along the same lines it's the people I meet doing this paper that makes it worth it, especially the ones that do good for others unselfishly. These folks make me proud to be a biker.

I do want to mention that I have had my last annual party at the FRP headquarters. We had a good time but it just doesn't seem worthy all the stress and time involved putting it together. So to those that came and hung out with us a big thank you. To the rest, you missed a good time.

A short note from the seat of my truck hauling back from Iowa on the 28th. I seen a ton of bikes heading west for what I am assuming is the destination of Sturgis. Groups of 4 and 5 followed by campers, trucks and an assortment of other vehicles in tow. I noticed only a few older bikes like shovels and pans but I guess not everybody is made to enjoy the full ride from the saddle. I do have to give my thoughts out to all those beautiful bikes that are on trailers and I assume a broke. I hope they get them fixed and are able to ride while in Sturgis. I am not going to be able to make it this year, but after a little modern day math I don't think I want to be there anyways. After thinking that 30% of the riders are 2 years or less experienced, 40% plus are going to be drinking at least a couple drinks while riding, 30% will run into issues with construction and traffic, 10% will run into animals alon their route just to name a few issues. And if my math is right, that makes 100% of upwards of 750,000 bikes in a fairly small area makes no interest to my safety and fun. Maybe get out there after everybody goes home. As most of you know, I am not very comfortable in large groups anyways. So to those that are going, be safe, ride straight (in more than 1 sense) and see you when you get home.

I did get a chance to get to the VNVMC?Leathernecks MC Summer Twister for Saturday only. But during the ceremony it was announced that Vietnam era veterans are now eligible to go on the Never forgotten Honor Flight. I believe it includes all Honor flights around the country. Well my day is Army 61-65 I believe and I mentioned it to him. He said he never heard of it before but is interested in going. So I came to the conclusion that ALL veterans should have the opportunity to see the memorials in D.C. So the Free Riders Press is going to do it's best to spread the word. If you're interested in helping give me a shout. Our vets all deserve it...

If anyone needs anything hauled give me a shout also. I have been in the last few months to Galveston & Amarillo, TX, Nebraska, Florida, Atlanta, Virginia, Pennsylvania and many more places hauling everything from bikes to tractors, to ATV and peoples belonging in a move. I run the Free Rider Xpress hauling like I do the Free Riders Press, people first and profit second. Not very smart business sense, but I feel good about what I do. Till next time, Peace

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