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Well this winter has been a mixed bag of blessings for me and mine. The weather has been phenomenally warm which is good, giving those hard core scooter tramps out there a chance to ride the winter highways and not freeze their you know what's off. We have finally closed on our new (old) house and started moving in Jan 27th. All I can say is I hate waiting as most of you know, but I think it will make for a great FRP headquarters. We lost another dog due to what we fear is a drunk driver that ran her over. Granted she was not supposed to be in the road, but for those of you with pets, they are part of the family from the start. I can't even imagine running a dog over and keep on going home. Totally insane to me. And finally the grandson isn't born yet (as of Feb 4th) but we are expecting the newest next generation rider to be born anytime now.

What's happening in the motorcycle world. Well I can tell you the scenery for winter events is a bit thinner. The Giant Swap Meet at the State Fair Park held usually in the end of April is a no go this year. I have been told that he is going to start it again next year provided the dates are acceptable. A couple of the smaller venue's in central Wisconsin including Wausau and Waupaca are also a nogo. There is still plenty to do on the weekends making the final decision a bit easier.

You will notice a couple items pertaining to ABATE in this issue. One is the Lobby Day for Wisconsin and the other pertained to a boycott of the Chicago Motorcycle Show. I was at Lobby day which was a pleasant surprise with the weather for the time of year, but walking around the capitol building sure does get you thinking about what we as Americans have. There were some lets just say (yahoos) singing in the rotunda giving me, along with many others the urge to start our own little sing along. But we did realize we were representing another organization, so we refrained from starting anything. Another story about a Boycott of the Chicago Show. Rumor had it that the venue was not going to allow any colors in. This was met with a you tube video boycotting the show. Now with hind sight being 20/20 this action may have been premature due to the fact that there was no problem at all with calors or back patches. In fact the promoter said the place was packed all two days. I guess it boils down to what you believe in and how strongly you are willing to fight for that belief.

A short appolagize to anyone that was at the Chicago Motorcycle show at Tinley Park and expected to see me there like I said I was going to be. I had some things come up and wasn't able to make it. I chalk it up to shit happens.

Once the insanity of the move is over, I am planning on getting some Free Riders Press bike nights rolling again. So if you would like to have one my suggestion is to start advertising now so you can be considered as a stop. And a brief update on the doings for FRP at Tomahawk for 2012. I am planning on an event, it will be a different style from what I did last year. The style meaning I tried to stick to a schedule for the ride, music and other items, and found out that it was much more enjoyable to just let things happen and play out as they will.

So with that all said, I hope everyone continues to enjoy the warm winter, and let's all hope to be riding in the next month or so. I need to get my bike checked out for a couple issues it is having so, (heads up Rosholt Motorcycles) the beast is coming your way. And please everyone that is getting out to the swap meets, shows and functions, please don't drink and drive. I would love to achieve the "Zero in Wisconsin" campaign goal, only having the same goals with my extended family in the wind. Be careful, be safe and be the best you can be towards each other. In the end, we that live the biker lifestyle sometimes have no one else to turn to.

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

- The passenger is Erin and the driver is Tayler taking dads streetglide for a drive.



If you have a picture of your Next Generation Rider, feel free to send it in to me. Who knows it just might kick start a Hollywood career for them. Send those pic's to preacher@freeriderspress.us or by snail mail to P.O. Box 1126 Wautoma, WI 54982

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I will be touching base with everyone that gets papers, to make sure everything is good as far as quantity of papers received and if your interested in getting started with an ad. Thanks for helping us promote the biker lifestyle.

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This paper was started out of the love and respect for being in the wind, and the brothers and sisters that are in the wind also. I have been riding all my life and have learned what brotherhood means. The Free Riders Press is a paper dedicated to the biker who knows this respect. Not barring any rider for what he wears or rides. We try to cover stories that make the public sit back and have a positive outlook on bikers. We will try to cover events that are for the biker and put on by the biker. This paper will be used to better the riding community through education, updates and personal views that are of positive thinking for the riding community in general. We will try to fight the ongoing discrimination that seems to be thrown onto us without our view being told. Free Riders Press is for all to enjoy, so by working together someday we can be free in the wind, without the worry of any of the aforementioned items.

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