Chopper By Jeff 'Koa' Boire

Some time ago in a small garage a man begins his work on a dream that did seem before like a mirage was finally beginning to seem realistic, a fine goal to achieve

And he begins work cleaning a frame; backbone, foundation of this machine retapping holes, spot welding; her name is Tara, she is not what she seems yet, she quietly awaits acclaim

Two wheels, thirteen spokes, balance her form providing perspective in design powering two patches fast; a storm inches from pavement, racing incline dream of the day when this is the norm

Days into weeks into months, working parts are delayed, schedules disrupted the dream continues, others smirking no shortcuts, and never corrupted this one builder never caught shirking

Assembly methodically as the powerplant and transmission are carefully aligned, a tough four speed with big gears, FLH, with big strength powered by 93 cubic inches

Building slows to address sheet metal cautious design, never let settle black with a metal flake and hot flames of red, white, and blue; Tara exclaims squares- she will continue to nettle

Sheet metal is aligned and installed with diligence, adjustments are made the time has arrived, dues are now paid Application of fuel; kicking stalled Some wiring by the switches has strayed

Two priming kicks builds compression in new cylinders anxious for light off fuel is aligned, ignition is thrown kicks over this horse, power creates until the sound of success through straights

The rumble of an old shovelhead giant cam spinning pushrods actions valve train ticking-aticking smothered by exhaust sounding American as the national anthem in song nothing like it at all, nothing wrong

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Calender of Events:

July 3 - (WI) Grass on the Chippewa Featuring 7 Bluegrass Bands at the Memorial Park Bandshell in Durand, WI 1-8:30pm Free admissions www.bluesonthechippewa For more info email: bluesonthechippewa@gmail.com or call (715) 672-8785

July 10- (WI) The Knuckehead Company Reunion VIII at the Milwaukee HD Museum. (The world's Largest Gathering of Knuckleheads)10-5pm for more info John 715-325-6882 or terrapin@wctc.net

July 10&11th- (MN) Hawgs for Dogs 21st Annual run starting at Twin City H-D in Blaine, MN for more info www.hawgsfordogs.org

July 8,9&10th- (WI) 2nd Annual Northeast Wisconsin Poker Run, swapmeet with music, raffles and fun. For more info contact Super Dave @ 715-757-9907

July 9&10t- (WI)h St. Croix Valley Riders 9th Annual Round Barn Run/Membership Drive. Starting and ending at the Gas-Lite Tavern in Trimbelle, WI Reg: starts at 9:30am for more info www.scvr.org

July 9 & 10th- (WI) Wild Ones Weekend at the Harley Museum in Milwaukee, WI for more info h-dmuseum.com

July 10- (MN) Ride For Kids starting at Century College East Campus(Route 120)White Bear Lake, MN http://www.pbtfus.org/rideforkids/calendar/2010/minnesota.html

July 11- (WI) Tuck Pence at Boner's Again in Nekoosa, WI 4 miles south of Rainbow Casino 2nd Sunday of the month 5-9pm

July 11- (IN) Walneck's Motorcycle Swap Meet & Show. ALL BRANDS OF PARTS & MOTORCYCLES @. Morgan County Fairgrounds in Martinsville, Indiana. 630 / 985 – 2097 www.walneckswap.com

July 13- (IA) J&P Cycles Cruise Night at J&P Cycles 1 mile North of Anamosa on Hwy 151. for more info www.jpcy-cles.com

July 17- (WI) Ride leaving the Wobbly Hog Saloon (13miles North of Phillips on Hwy 13) for more info 715-762-HOGS

July 17- (WI) Armed Forces MC 9th Annual Bash for the Children of Fallen Soldiers Relief Fund at Damn Yankees in Hortonville, WI on Hwy M for more info 920-224-3317 920-224-3317

July 22-25th- (WI) Women in Motion Ride for more info www.accidentscene.org or info@accidentscene.org July 24- (WI) Larry "Moss" Dahn 2nd Annual Memorial Ride. Sign in 10am - 11:30am Wildcat Bar, Ontario Wi

Music 6pm Sponsored by Friends of Veterans. Questions call Billy (608)372-9295 (608)372-9295 July 24- (WI) Firehouse Performance of Kenosha, WI Customer appreciation party at Da' Grove in con-

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July 24- (WI) Harley Shoot-Out at Great Lakes Drag-A-Way in Union Grove, WI. www.greatlakesdragaway.com July 24- (WI) Pool Party with "Bluesfest " From 1:00 pm - 1:00 am at the Edge- O Dells in Wis. Dells www.edgeodells.com

July 22-25th- (WI) Vietnam Vets 26th Annual Summer Twister at Wildlife Campground in Birnamwood, WI Music, beer Saturday meal and fun, fun, fun for more info www.vnvmc-wi-org

July 24- (WI) "Friends of Bob Flowers Benefit Ride" leaving Pewaukee, WI. and rides across SE, WI. For more info: friendsofbobflowers.org or call Rick @ (920) 286-1322 (920) 286-1322 .

July 25- (IA) J&P Cycles Swap Meet at J&P Cycles in Anamosa IA. Free to public. For more info www.jpcycles/events or Mbhanna@jpcycles.com

August 6-8th- (WI) Heaven's Devils MC Central 13th Annual Can't Afford to go to Sturgis Party at the Wildhorse Saloon 9031 County WW Kelner, WI for more info 715-323-1633

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www.walneckswap.com August 21- (WI) Mercer Loons MC 23rd Annual Loon party at Deer Lodge on Cty Hwy FF Mercer, WI

Juy 10-Sept 16- (WI) True Evil- The Amazing story of Evil Knievel at the H-D Museum in Milwaukee, WI for more www.h-dmuseum.com

**** Weekly-Wednesdays- Bike Night at Quaker Steak & Lube in Middleton, WI starting weekly at 5pm www.quakersteakandlube.com/Madison_WI

Thursday- Thursday Night Thunder at Edge-O Dells in Wisconsin Dells, WI Fore more www.edgeodells.com (IL) Thunderfest Bike Show Tour - www.facebook.com/thunderfestbikeshows

For more events, check out our calender at www.freeriderspress.us. If you have an event to add to our calender email it to me at preacher@freeriderspress.us

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So you're sitting back snug - like a bug in a rug -And you've saved a 'pile' for that 'rainy day' -Well the sun shines for you - but what do YOU do -For the needy - along the way? Do you sit back and laugh - and call them 'riff raff'? Well - a mirror will show you your class! Just try for a while to get him to smile. (The one looking back from the glass.) I guess as a rule - yourself you can fool -But I'll bet for only a while! For as sure as there's sin - the truth will sink in! But that face in the glass won't smile! So tonight before sleep, in your pocket reach deep -And pull a few bucks from that 'pile'. You'll feel better I'm sure - for helping the poor -Then that face in the mirror will smile.

THE MIRROR By R. 'Bingo' Cosby