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From the Editor:

We are in full swing riding here on the home front, hope you all are to. The weather has been the pits, but hey we got to take what we can get, right.

I'd like to start off with a big thank you to Chain and Dave at Rosholt Motorcycle Company for hooking me up with my new bike. Now I got no reason not to ride, short of being dead I guess. So keep an eye out for me on the highways and bi-ways, cause the Free Riders Press is coming to a Biker event near you.

Another item on the docket this month is the Free Riders Press bike nights that started May 3rd. Like anything else they started out slow, but every week we are getting a couple more people rolling in. By the end of summer I am predicting a real kick ass way to spend a Tuesday night. The bike nights are set up as another way to get some extra mention for my advertiser. So if your not advertising, jump in. We are the are hardest working biker paper out there, and the response is showing it. Ask some of our advertisers to join in for your runs and events. Some of the newer places have never had the pleasure of hosting a motorcycle event.

Which leads me into the main thing for the month. I would like to give you all a little insight as to why I started the Free Riders Press.

This paper was started with the idea of giving all the Brothers and Sisters out there in the riding world a place to call there own. I know from past experience that there is no real place for us average bikers to vent, praise or just plain tell what they feel. I started the Free Riders Press with a dream of doing my part to unite all riders with one outlet. Back in the early 80's, my favorite time of the month was when I got my Easy Riders mag. I would sit and read it cover to cover the first chance I got. But then it started to change. The magazine seemed to get a sort of corporate feel to it. High priced products, fancy bikes and half naked women. (Yes, ok I already said I read it Cover to Cover.) But after awhile it just wasn't the same. It was like being left in the out-field, everyone went home and the lights were turned off. Yes it was nice to see things that happened in other areas of the country, but what good does that do me. My monthly wish book as I used to think these national magazines as. Great rags, but not personal to me anymore.

This is a family paper, not a big money paper. I don't care if there are 100,000 copies all over the country. The Free Riders Press is picked up and read by those who want to read it. I could send 100 copies out to all the business's just for the business's to throw

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Brothers Lost

R.I.P. "Big John" 4/2/48-4/17/05

To the family and club brothers of "Big John", Hell's Lovers M.C. USA:

First, I apologize for not being able to attend the services. Bad health, and legal problems are issues. I feel badly because I consider John one of my oldest and dearest friends and brother. John and I met in 1972 or so. It was the first encounter with a black biker I ever had. Back then, it wasn't common or popular. No disrespect to him, but when I saw the 100% nigger tattoo on a forearm bigger than my leg, well I figured anybody with a great sense of humor like that could be my friend any day. Before that night ended, John pretty much saved my life. We became the best of brothers and even appeared together in a newspaper photo of us hugging each other. You can imagine the feedback on that! But, I can honestly say I never regretted meeting him. Over these 34 years we have had tons of fun, worked out problems, and always had an understanding that only men of honor and heart could appreciate. John's heart was as big as his size, and I will miss him just as much. Please convey my condolences to both his family and all the brothers. John will live forever in my memory and heart. A piece of my life is missing now, but his legend shall ride on always

With deepest respect...Frog DC Eagles MC Wis (Ret.) Pres. 1974-'83

Mission Statement:

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.

I got this e-mail from a brother that wants to help out the brotherhood. I think it is a great idea.

Yo Preacher;

Wouldn't happen to know of a good benefit coming up would you? I have a decent older car that I'd rather see be raffled off to a needing brother or sister than given to the boys ranch. I'd rather deal through you on this. Let me know.

I'd really like to have it used for a down brother/sister needing help with meds bills or similar, kids needing \$ for treatment. It's a 1983 AMC Concord with less than 90000 miles on it, and spent about the last 15 years of its life in Florida, very little rust. Would make a good restoration project. Later

A little imagination and we could help out a lot of people in the riding community in the same ways. Let me know what you think
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"Bingo's Downed Biker Fund"

If you have a Brother or Sister down and would like to get them the Free Riders Press, NO PROBLEM, be glad to do it but it does cost money. A lot of people help out by donating some coin. We here will do what we can, but with everybody giving what they can, we will make it go a long way. We all know somebody that's down, and anything would be greatly appreciated.



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