

STAR TOURING CHAPTER 212
CHAPTER MEETING @ Smokie's Firehouse
Hilmar, August 5, 2006

Today's meeting was presided over by V.P. Jack Daniel the 'Prez' is on vacation. Since we held the meeting a week earlier than usual, even with reminders, we only had 15 in attendance, including guests Larry and Deborah McCrary. I hope our next committee meeting, at Jacquie's BBQ, has a bigger turnout. We need the help!

Old Biz

Patches

Don't forget to buy, and sell chapter 212 patches. Only \$6!

The Banner

(We have sent the bare bones artwork off to Star National for approval prior to coloring. Once it's approved we will submit the design for a bid to digitize and colorize). Still waiting!!

Star Days

Watch for a re-cap by the 212 members that went to Colorado. It will be posted on the web soon.

New Biz

Our Poker Run is now just about six weeks away. Flier's are available on the website or the group site. Donation letters are available on the group site only. (We do not want the Tax ID being used by just anyone). We have a half dozen vendors lined up, live band, food . . . Plenty more to plan. I hope everyone can make it to the officer/planning meeting Sunday, August 20 at Jacquie's. Come to swim and BBQ, too. Let us know if you are coming please. Just e-mail Jacquie (TISJACQUIE@SBCGLOBAL.NET) or me.

Our committee meeting follows *Stockton Chapter 192 Poker Run* on the 19th. It will be a busy weekend, but please try to make it to both. For the Stockton run, meet at Jack Daniel's at 6:30 or Modesto Yamaha by 7:30.

Jim mentioned a *Fire on the Mountain Blues Festival* on August 12. If interested, contact Jim for info.

Labor Day weekend 9/1 - 9/3 is the planned *Lost Coast Ride*. Contact Doug if interested.

Also, I forwarded an e-mail for a *Thunder on the River* ride. It takes place on Sep. 2nd. Contact me for a copy.

Street Vibrations will be a chapter ride on 9/23. Leave from the Flying J on 99 near Modesto at 5:30AM.

General Biz

Today Jim Cecil won the 50/50 raffle. The pot was \$73. Jim kept only \$10 of his \$36.50, donating the rest back to the chapter. Thank you Jim! Jacquie(?) won the \$10 towards breakfast. After selling about 35 patches our balance is back up to \$589.63.

Jim talked about all the interest our Vet ride created and would like to do it again, with as many local chapters as we can gather. We should notify National, too.

Also from Jim, last month we had another incident other than OUR brakes going out. One of our men went down in a curve. Fortunately he was not seriously injured. He even rode his bike home. However, he's been advised his repairs do need to be completed before he can ride with us again. The wheel has a distinct wobble, unsafe for the rider as well as his friends. We hope to have him back with us soon.

This goes for anyone in the group, or anyone else that rides. There are only two wheels between you and the ground. We don't have another to lean on so we must keep them both in good condition.

Today's ride was up to Columbia by way of Volcano, apparently a great place to stop for ice cream.

September's meeting will be at Smokie's again. 9/9 at 9! They have such great people. Mark got our first official 'in hand' donation, as well as having them post our flier.

Please, PLEASE work on getting these donations. This is where the fun, and the MONEY come from. The more we have, and the better STUFF we have, the more tickets we will sell.

Also, we have only FOUR people pre-registered so far, so please talk this up. All the prizes won't do us much good if only a few people show up to try for them.