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Chairman's Corner

TMRA2 UPDATE

Chairman's Corner Jan 2012

TMRA2 is starting 2012 off with a bang. We would first like to thank all of the members who have supported us with their time, talents, and treasures this past year despite the hardships we have endured. TMRA2 had the best session we have ever worked at the capitol in 2011 and look forward to continuing the work through the next session. It has always been an honor to represent the bikers of Texas.

We are currently very low on funds and are looking to the chapters and supporters to come up with new ways of funding the association. We are looking for someone to step up to the plate and invest funds into the association who can afford it so we can survive. Currently the state secretary is not able to be paid a salary, nor can the expenses of the state office can be paid because the funds are so low. So we are doing a cash call to everyone involved to try and drum up more support and funds so we can keep moving forward.

In the month of February we are lowering our membership price from Feb. 1st to Feb 29th to only \$25.00 a year which is TMRA2's old membership price. And we are lowering the Life memberships to \$300.00. In the Warrior (last page) is our application for membership that you can copy and mail in or, if you prefer, you can download it off our newly updated web site that Elmer McKeegan has worked hard updating this past month. Or just send a note with your name address and e-mail letting us know you want to be a member with check or money order to TMRA2, 275 Old Lexington Road, Elgin, Texas 78621. We appreciate any continued support we can get.

Our web site, which Elmer has revamped, has all the latest political information and TMRA2 Warriors to date to read. Go to tmra2.org and see what's up.

Also TMRA2 is requesting bikers to get involved in the Democrat and Republican parties. We need **Delegates and Precinct Chairs**. We need for members to work campaigns for candidates that support our views. If you are interested, please let us know which county you will be working in by contacting Terri Williams at 512-971-1377 so we don't duplicate our efforts. We also need for bikers to attend the conventions in order to submit resolutions for any bills we plan to work at the capitol. At one time the bikers had over 1,000 in attendance at the democratic convention requiring more security than ever. We need to see this happen again. Below are the deadlines Elmer has provided on our website.

February 1, 2012 deadline: Texas Primary Election

Last day of the second or reopened filing period that a Democratic or Republican Party candidate may file an application for a place on the primary ballot (6 p.m.). (Date set by the federal court order.)

Last day of the second or reopened filing period that county chairs may accept applications for a place on the ballot for office of county or precinct chair (6 p.m.). (Date set by the federal court order.)

Last day of the second or reopened filing period that candidates may file a declaration of write-in candidacy for county or precinct chair (6 p.m.). (Date set by the federal court order.)

Last day for Democratic or Republican Party candidates to file an application for a place on the primary ballot (6 p.m.) for an office of the state or county government that became vacant on or before January 27, 2012. (Date set by the federal court order.)

Last day to file amendments to previously filed applications with respect to office, precinct, place or any other material detail. (Date set by the federal court order.)

Note: Candidates, and not filing authority election staff, may amend their applications by replacing the whole page of such application that requires changes. Each submitted page must contain the signature of the candidate and the date it was signed. (Set by the federal court order.)

Note: Applications filed with the incorrect authority are deemed to have been timely received by the correct authority if the authority who received the application was the correct authority at the time the application was originally filed. Applications filed with the incorrect authority shall be forwarded to the correct authority without delay. (Set by the federal court order.)

Feb 13th, 2012 deadline: Texas Primary Election

Last day for county voter registrar to issue voter registration certificate to each voter in the county whose registration is effective on the preceding November 14 and whose name does not appear on the suspense list, as described in Tex. Elec. Code Ann. § 14.001. (Date set by the federal court order.)



TMRA2 UPDATE continued

We also have two major fundraisers for TMRA2 coming up that are really fun motorcycle runs:

**The Riders for Rights Chapter
presents on March 31st, 2012:**

Texas Motorcycle Rights Association

Riders for Rights Chapter



Fun Run & Fish Fry
March 31, 2012
@
American Legion Post 212
9733 U.S. Highway 190 W Livingston, TX 77351
Post Opens @ 9:00am for Event

*Organized Bike Run- \$20.00 a Bike or \$25.00 a couple,
(Includes Breakfast before Run)
Bikes out by 11:00 am, in by 2:00pm*

Fish Fry- Starts at 2:00pm (\$7.00 a plate)

DJ Diamond Dave,
Texas Syn Band, Pop a String Band

50/50 Drawings & Silent Auction

All proceeds go to TMRA 2 to fight for our Rights- tmra2.org
For more info. Contact- Adam- 936-662-6842

**The TMRA2 DFW Chapter will be having
a Fish Fry on February 26th, 2012:**



FISH FRY 2012

Hey come join us for the FISH FRY, its an all
you can eat of "Fish 'N' Chips"

**\$8.00 DONATION
Includes Meal and the Band called
PUSHER BETTY**

**Rain or Shine Indoor Facility
SHUFFLEBOARD --- POOL TABLE ---
DARTS --- 50/50 ---
BIKER GAMES (Indoor)**

BEER AND MIXED DRINKS AVAILABLE

**DATE: Sunday February 26th, 2012 TIME:
12:00 PM till 6PM**

**Where: VFW POST 4477 on
300 South Smith Dallas Tx, 75211**

As chairman I ask everyone to support and attend these TMRA2 fundraisers. We have so much fun each time we have an event and it's for a good cause. That's all from the state office for now, hope to see each of you soon.

Jerry Rose
TMRA2 Chairman

URGENT NEWS !!!

Attention: TMRA2 Members

SEE ALL ABOUT BECOMING A PRECINT CHAIR

IN CURRENT/ONGOING LEGISLATIVE ISSUES, next section, pages 5 - 9.



Attention: TMRA2 Members

To all the political bikers and freedom fighters of Texas: We are looking for bikers to become Precinct Chairs in each county in Texas. Below is a list of requirements and information on how to become a Precinct chair. According to the information provided below from Ron Paul's website, the Precinct Chair position is the most powerful office in America. If you are interested in this position, please contact Terri Williams at 512-971-1377 to let us know which position you are running for. Anyone can do this. The American Majority web site provided training for political positions. Their mission statement is below and url for their web site. Also below is the filing form for the position provided by the Democrat party web site.

Signed;

Terri Williams

TMRA2 Legislative Task Force

About American Majority <http://americanmajority.org/>

American Majority is the leading developer of the nation's new 21st century grassroots political infrastructure. The organization uses its cutting edge training curriculum to empower individuals and organizations with the most effective tools to promote liberty through limited government. American Majority trains thousands of activists and candidates each year in communities across the country to be catalysts for authentic change in government. **As of November, 2011, American Majority has conducted 544 trainings in 44 different states, training more than 19,000 candidates and activists (with most of that work coming between April of 2009 and October of 2011).**

As a non-profit, non-partisan organization it is dedicated to developing a new generation of American elected and opinion leadership that will reject the self-destructive policies associated with government expansion. We believe that change begins not in Washington, but in our state and local communities, where a significant percentage of government spending occurs. And we believe that if enough people will organize at the local level, it will lead to a groundswell that will bring national, generational change.

Precinct Chairs

The 254 counties in Texas are further divided into voter precincts, each led by a Precinct Chair. Precinct Chairs are the lifeblood of the Democratic Party. They sit on their county's Executive Committees, help conduct Party business in their counties, and play a critical role in contacting Democratic voters in their individual precincts. There is no more important job in the Democratic Party.

Term of Office and Qualifications

The precinct chair is a publicly elected party official and is elected by voters in their precinct in the Democratic Primary Election (or in the runoff election, if no candidate gets a majority in the first primary). The term of office for a precinct chair is two years, beginning on the 20th day following the Primary runoff election. The County Executive Committee fills vacancies for unexpired terms.

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A precinct chair should be an outgoing, self-motivated person who likes people. To be eligible for the office of precinct chair, an individual must meet these requirements:

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Be a qualified voter who has voted in the latest Democratic primary (not counting runoffs) in the voting year
- Be a resident of the precinct from which he or she is seeking election
- Not be a candidate for or holder of an elective office of the federal, state, or county government

(Optional, but highly desirable) have Internet and e-mail capabilities and basic computer skills

Filing for Office

A qualified individual interested in running for precinct chair must do the following:

Download a [filing form](#), or obtain one from your county chair or county party secretary

- Complete the application
- Sign the application before a notary public
- Have the form notarized
- Submit the application to the County Chair

Check the filing deadline when you pick up your application. The completed, signed, and notarized application may be mailed to the county chair, but it must be received by the filing deadline.

Only contested candidates for Precinct chair appear on the Democratic Primary ballot. Write-in votes for precinct chair are permitted in the primary, whether or not there are other candidates on the ballot, but not in a runoff. Write-in candidates must have filed their write-in candidacies.

From Ron Paul's Website

Precinct Chair: "The Most Powerful Office in America"

Anyone who wants to change the direction of a society must take control of the power centers of society.

[An Idea Whose Time Has Come - G. Edward Griffin - Freedom Force International](#)

The Precinct Conventions that elect the Precinct Chairs are one of the power centers of society. Information about precincts is scarce (perhaps because it is so powerful), that's why I made this post to gather the useful information.

[A county is divided into precincts.](#) A precinct is an area that contains a maximum of 2,999 voters, usually with about 1000 voters within an area of several streets. The precincts are called the grassroots of the political parties. Each political party in each precinct is represented by a Precinct Chair (or Chairman/Leader/Executive/Delegate/Officer/etc, the position seems to be called by many names). The Precinct Chairs within a county make up a party **Central Committee**. Through the Central Committee's powers the Precinct Chairs together are extremely influential in the county, state, and the national party. Political parties are set up like a corporation in each state.

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An explanation about why the Precinct Chair/Executive is so powerful, a "power center of society":
http://www.networkamerica.org/most_powerful_office.htm

A 10-minute lesson in taking back the Precinct Chair/Executive offices:
<http://www.networkamerica.org/10minute.htm>

See page 8 for a chart of the powers of the Precinct Chairs and Central Committee, some info page 7 onwards:
http://peakdems.org/pdf/precinct_chair_handbook.pdf

The strategy for taking back the Precinct Chairs and Central Committee power center of society:
http://www.networkamerica.org/action_program_2008.htm

An example for us:
<http://ronpaul.meetup.com/119/calendar/6910581/>

The Precinct Conventions (or caucuses, etc) held on even numbered years (2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012) are where the Precinct Chairs and other Party office holders and in some cases delegates are elected by voters. In some states the Precinct Conventions are where delegates to the County, State, and National Party Conventions get their start. The delegates that make it to the National Convention are who choose the party's presidential candidate.

If we want to elect liberty people then we need to vote for liberty supporters as delegates (directly or indirectly through candidate slates) and Precinct Chairs in the Precinct Conventions, the County Conventions, and the State Conventions to get them to the National Convention where they can vote for liberty. The result is also our taking back the political party.

Each political party only accounts for 50% of the political power in America though, and the other party accounts for the other 50%. With only 50% of the political power we are still susceptible to the control of the other 50%, so we have to take back both major parties to regain actual control of the country. The parties in power are who control the election systems, third parties don't have any power and so they cannot control the election systems to ensure fairness, so they can't get elected. Like Ron Paul said, the system in this country is biased against democracy. Ideally our goal is to have almost all candidates in all parties running for all offices to be working towards our goals, just like the opposite of the 2008 presidential elections. The goals of the parties have already been so twisted around that the **distinction between parties is essentially meaningless**.

Other power centers of society are the economic systems, mainstream media, widely believed misconceptions, and the schooling system. Educating people about the truth and discrediting the mainstream media, and helping others free themselves from the controlled economic systems should also be our goals as Precinct Chairs and community leaders.

http://www.openfarmtech.org/index.php/Films_List
http://www.youtube.com/view_play_lis...D881B7AC8EE404
YouTube - John Taylor Gatto - 01 The Elite Private Boarding Schools
YouTube - John Taylor Gatto - On education
History of the Purposeful Degradation of Schools in the U.S
Brian Springer - Spin
Behind The Big News: Propaganda and the CFR
Money As Debt
The Money Masters - How International Bankers Gained Control of America
YouTube - The Council on Foreign Relations and the 2008 Election
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So your immediate goals should be:

1. Get as many precincts with liberty Republican Precinct Chairs and liberty Delegates as possible. (Become a liberty Precinct Captain, find out more about your Precinct Conventions and how to become a Precinct Chair, canvass your precinct, organize with other Precinct Captains, find other people to be Precinct Chairs or liberty Delegates in other precincts, educate people on the Precinct Chair office and Central Committee, take back the Republican Central Committees)
2. Get as many liberty voters as possible. (print media ads, canvassing, get physical information into people's hands such as fliers/newspaper ads)
3. Get the liberty voters to the polls and Precinct Conventions. (phone calls, cars, buses, whatever it takes)
4. Get as many precincts with Democrat freedom movement Precinct Chairs as possible. Take back the Democrat Central Committees.
5. Take control of the Party Central Committees and elect liberty Delegates, endorse freedom movement people for local offices, and ensure fair elections.

Much of the information is thanks to this wonderful site: <http://www.NetworkAmerica.org>

Some info about precincts:

<http://www.oaklandgop.net/precinctdelegate.asp>
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Precinct>

Some info about party levels:

<http://www.mcrcp.org/PermanentPolitical.html>
<http://www.kanegop.org/kcrrc.html>
<http://www.wsocv.com/news/14800435/detail.html>
https://www.netsafa.navy.mil/ipg/Political_Process.htm
<http://enr2.clarityelections.com/Def...?c=lake&id=20>

Info about the Party structure and Precinct Conventions:

<http://www.texasgop.org/site/PageSer...name=RPTBasics>

How to handle the Precinct Conventions and delegates:

<http://www.texasgop.org/site/News2?p...rticle&id=5742>
<http://www.ronpaulforums.com/showthread.php?t=1708>
<http://www.ronpaulforums.com/showthread.php?t=27066>

Info about Precinct and County Chair positions:

<http://www.traviscountymocrats.org...tchairFAQs.htm>
http://www.txdemocrats.org/the_party...recinct_chair/

Strategy of the Revolution, recruiting and spreading from precinct to county control:

<http://freedomguide.blogspot.com/200...n-victory.html>

Previous party take overs:

http://www.theocracywatch.org/taking_over.htm

Study the strategy of the Art of War:

<http://www.sonshi.com/learn.html>
<http://www.chinapage.com/sunzi-e.html>

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Info about county government.

The Central Committees of the Parties helps elect county officials that control vast amounts of power over your life:

<http://www.mncounties.org/Publicatio...cture%2002.pdf>

<http://www.mncounties.org/Publicatio...iesforKIDS.pdf>

<http://www.clintoncountyiowa.com/STRUCTUREONECOLOR.PDF>

<http://www.guidetogov.org/ca/state/overview/county.html>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Politic..._United_States

Major party Executive Committees may be able to use the endorsement power for third party candidates: <http://www.geocities.com/stoutdem/partydiscipline.html>

I'll try to update, expand, and correct this with more information when available.

Control of the precincts and county parties with secret funding from bankers is what "Col." Edward Mandel House wrote about in his book of fiction "Philip Dru: Administrator" published in 1911. In 1912 House helped Woodrow Wilson get elected.

There are about 3,140 counties in the US, an average of 62 per state. There are an average of 12 precincts per county. So there are about 37,200 precincts in the US per political party. So it would seem that both major parties, and thus virtually the entire government apparatus of the US, are controlled by only about 74,400 people. Add some friends for each precinct and about 223,200 people could take complete control if they were well organized. And it could only take a majority of that number, since it seems only 51% are needed to control in the democratic elections of the precinct-county level. It may be that many positions are empty, and could be taken with just one vote.

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http://www.mrf.org/2011/news_release/11NR35.htm--

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11NR35 - MRF News Release - Senate Committee Passes Highway Safety Bill

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

14 December 2011

Today, the United States Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation passed a sweeping safety bill known as the Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act (S. 1449). The bill passed by voice vote.

Earlier this week, Senator Lautenberg (D-NJ) filed an amendment that would have gutted the popular federal motorcycle education and awareness grants, known as the 2010 funds. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is pleased to report that Lautenberg did not call that amendment for a vote. Due to an overwhelming response from the motorcycle community, the 2010 grants are safe for now.

Also under attack was the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) lobby ban. This law prohibits NHTSA from using federal money to lobby State legislatures, uninvited. The way S. 1449 was drafted, it removed this lobby ban. Senator Jim DeMint (R-SC) introduced a number of amendments to maintain the ban and the necessary amendments were agreed to, by unanimous consent of the full committee.



The one sticking point that remains is at least, the least troublesome. That being said, it is still something that will keep the attention of the MRF lobby efforts. The trouble lies in a provision in S. 1449 that calls out motorcycle helmets in the list of definitions as "motor vehicle equipment". Previously, the list simply stated: "any device or an article or apparel... that is not a system, part, or component of a motor vehicle".

The MRF would like to thank all the State motorcycle rights organizations and everyone else who helped with this legislation.

The bill passed today will likely move on to be a part of the larger Highway Bill which could happen in early 2012. The MRF will keep you informed on this issue.

Terri Williams

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BECAUSE FREEDOM CAN'T PROTECT ITSELF!

Obama signs defense bill 'with reservations' By the CNN Wire Staff

updated 6:40 PM EST, Sat December 31, 2011

*Obama has concerns about flexibility of counterterrorism efforts *The White House lifted a veto threat after changes in detainee language *The issue involved presidential authority over military or civilian custody *The \$662 billion measure includes tough sanctions against Iran over its nuclear program
Washington (CNN) -- President Barack Obama on Saturday reluctantly signed a defense authorization bill, saying he was concerned about some in Congress who want to restrict options used by counterterrorism officials.

"I have signed this bill despite having serious reservations with certain provisions that regulate the detention, interrogation, and prosecution of suspected terrorists," he said of the \$662 billion legislation.

The White House had lifted a veto threat against the bill after legislators made changes in language involving detainees. In particular, the legislators added language to make clear that nothing in the bill requiring military custody of al Qaeda suspects would interfere with the ability of civilian law enforcement to carry out terrorism investigations and interrogations in the United States.

The House approved the bill on December 14, and a 86-13 vote in the Senate the next day completed the necessary congressional action.

At issue was the president's authority in deciding whether people detained in terrorism investigations would be held in military or civilian custody.

Sen. John McCain of Arizona, the top Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the legislation includes a "national security waiver" that allows the president to transfer a suspect from military to civilian custody if he chooses.

"I want to clarify that my administration will not authorize the indefinite military detention without trial of American citizens," Obama said in a statement Saturday. "Indeed, I believe that doing so would break with our most important traditions and values as a nation."

Obama said a section of the bill provides the "executive branch" with broad authority on military custody for non-citizen detainees.

The legislators also agreed on tough sanctions language for the Iranian Central Bank, aimed at punishing Iran for its nuclear program.



The measure "will put real additional pressure on the Iranians so they are going to pay a bigger and bigger price, if they continue to move towards nuclear weapons," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Michigan, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

In addition, legislators agreed to tough new restrictions on Pakistan to ensure that country is not participating in the manufacture and transport of improvised explosive devices, or IEDs -- the hidden bombs that have caused havoc for coalition forces in Afghanistan.

"Ultimately, I decided to sign this bill not only because of the critically important services it provides for our forces and their families and the national security programs it authorizes, but also because the Congress revised provisions that otherwise would have jeopardized the safety, security, and liberty of the American people," the president said Saturday.

The Law of Posse Comitatus **Police and military powers once statutorily divided are swiftly merging** **by Lynne Wilson, CovertAction Quarterly magazine, Fall 2002**

"Terrorism is escalating to the point that Americans soon may have to choose between civil liberties and more intrusive means of protection..." Former Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen , Army Times, October 27, 1998

President Bush unveiled his broad "Homeland Security" department proposal in mid-July, including "a review of the law that could allow the military to operate more aggressively within the United States." The proposal champions a "greater involvement of military personnel" in "domestic preparedness and response efforts." Prior to this broad proposal, Department of Defense (DOD) officials repeatedly stated that they had no intention to recommend rewriting or repealing the Posse Comitatus Act, a post-Civil War statute that restricts the military's ability to participate in civilian law enforcement.

That cautious approach has now been openly abandoned.

At this point, it may not matter. Not much of the Posse Comitatus Act is left to repeal. Whatever viewpoint you come at it from, whether from the perspective of an Army Delta Force commander or an anti-globalization activist, the Posse Comitatus Act no longer provides the strong wall between the military and domestic law enforcement for which it was originally intended.

"The military has been dragged into various internal security roles for a long time now," recently commented Peter Kraska, an expert on the militarization of local police.

BACKGROUND The Posse Comitatus Act states simply:

Whoever, except in cases and under circumstances expressly authorized by the Constitution or Act of Congress, willfully uses any part of the Army or the Air Force as a posse comitatus or otherwise to execute the laws shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both.

Congress passed the Posse Comitatus Act in 1878 to end military occupation of the defeated Southern states during the Reconstruction period. Southern Democrats had complained bitterly about the oppressive use of the military in a law enforcement role. The Act incorporates a founding American principle of keeping the nation's military forces separate from and subordinate to the "Civil Power."

The Act embodies the long-standing principle in Anglo-American law that there should be a total separation of military from civilian law enforcement. As one southern Senator stated during debates over the Act, "whenever you conclude that it is right to use the Army to...discharge those duties that belong to civilian officers and to the citizens, then you have given up the character of your Government; it is no longer a government for liberty...it has become a government of force."

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That the Act provides much less of a shield against a "government of force" than its framers intended is the result of complex factors. Part of what has led to the erosion of military/civil law enforcement separation is the language of the Act itself. Unlike a constitutional provision such as the Fourth Amendment, it does not have the status of Supreme Law and can be amended or repealed or excepted by a simple congressional majority. Also unlike the Fourth Amendment, courts have consistently admitted, rather than excluded, evidence obtained in violation of it.

The Posse Comitatus Act is relatively narrow in its scope. For example, the Act appears to prohibit indirect involvement such as the supply of support, training, intelligence and equipment to civilian law enforcement. But courts have consistently interpreted its language to proscribe only direct military involvement in the execution of laws. Only one court has interpreted the Posse Comitatus Act broadly, finding the Act "absolute in its command and explicit in its exceptions." When applied in the context of an individual case, most courts essentially look the other way when a military officer is involved.

Furthermore, the Act only applies on its face to two military branches, the Army and the Air Force. It has been held to apply to the Navy and Marines by DOD regulation. It does not apply to the Coast Guard. Because the federalized National Guard is part of either the Air Force or the Army, it is covered by the Act. When acting as a militia, however, a state's National Guard is exempt from the Act's proscriptions. By definition, state militias are armed and trained separately from regular armed forces. Under this "State Militia" exemption, state National Guard troops are free to make arrests and to conduct otherwise prohibited searches at airports and elsewhere.

Congress has approved the direct use of military troops during civil disturbances. These provisions grant the President the authority to use military troops to enforce civilian laws where a state has requested assistance or is unable to protect its citizens or property. An order to disperse must first be given. This statutory exception potentially encompasses any civil disturbance that might arise from "terrorist activity." It was used to justify the presence of active duty Army personnel in Los Angeles during the 1992 rioting subsequent to the Rodney King incident. The mere potential for a "civil disturbance" or a terrorist attack at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta drew over 10,000 U.S. troops and only a faint protest from Congress.

On its face, the Act only provides criminal sanctions as a remedy for violations. However, no one has ever been prosecuted for violating it. Criminal prosecution by the government is the only remedy, as the act by its terms does not give individuals the right to sue. Although attempts have been made to obtain civil damages for violations of the Act, recovery has only been successful against military officials for violating a plaintiff's Fourth Amendment rights under *Bivens v. Six Unknown Named Agents*.

Courts have also consistently upheld military involvement in local law enforcement where a military purpose such as a "sting" operation justified the involvement. Consistent with the act's language, courts require the active involvement of military officers at the request of local law enforcement before a violation will be found. Such cases are almost nonexistent. Under this interpretation, U.S. Army Delta Force involvement during the 1999 Seattle anti-WTO protests did not violate the Posse Comitatus Act because the involvement occurred at the request of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, not the mayor of Seattle.

THIS JUST IN One of the most hawkish congressional enthusiasts for Bush's plans to send U.S. troops to the streets of Baghdad is Joseph Biden, Democrat of Delaware. Apparently he wants to see the same troops on the streets of U.S. cities. Interviewed on Fox News on July 21, he strongly endorsed giving power of arrest to U.S. soldiers. Posse Comitatus, said Biden "has to be amended." Even Mr. Homeland Security Tom Ridge begged to differ.

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WOUNDED KNEE Prior to the "War on Drugs," military involvement in local law enforcement efforts was a relatively rare occurrence. The key exceptions were the use of military equipment and advisers during the large student demonstrations of the early 1970s and in the 1973 American Indian Movement occupation at Wounded Knee, South Dakota. Criminal litigation arising out of Wounded Knee did much to simultaneously clarify and confuse what military behavior does and does not constitute a violation of the Posse Comitatus Act. The litigation also illustrates how fluid the boundaries of the Act are.

During AIM's takeover of the Pine Ridge Reservation at Wounded Knee, Army officers and the South Dakota National Guard supplied local law enforcement officials with military equipment including ammunition, weapons, flares, and armored personnel carriers. Mechanics from both the Nebraska and the South Dakota National Guards repaired and maintained the personnel carriers.

The U.S. government charged four AIM defendants with obstructing justice in violation of 18 U.S.C. §231 (a)(3), an offense requiring interference with any "law enforcement officer lawfully engaged in the lawful performance of his official duties." Each federal court assumed that the National Guards had been federalized and were thus subject to the Act.

Each of the four defendants argued that the government could not prove "lawful performance" because civil reliance on military assistance at Wounded Knee violated the Posse Comitatus Act. Although the four federal courts looked at the same evidence, each came to a separate conclusion. The Banks court granted the motion for acquittal on the obstruction charges, stating that civil law enforcers had used the military "as a posse comitatus or otherwise." The Jaramillo court held that while the Act does not per se prohibit the furnishing of military equipment such as armored personnel carriers, advice rendered by military officers and the equipment maintenance performed by military personnel so "pervaded" the activities of civilian personnel that there was a reasonable doubt as to whether law enforcement officers were lawfully engaged in the performance of their duties.

The Red Feather court agreed that "direct active use" of military materiel violates the Act. But the Red Feather court went further to list what "active" military roles are forbidden in civil law enforcement: arrests, seizing evidence, searching persons or buildings, investigating crimes, interviewing witnesses, pursuing escaped prisoners and searching for suspects. In addition, the Red Feather court held as acceptable certain "passive" military roles that indirectly aid civil law enforcers, including the presence of military personnel giving advice or recommendations on tactics or logistics, delivering and maintaining military materiel, training civilian officials in the use and care of equipment and conducting aerial reconnaissance.

Significantly, the McArthur court, like the Red Feather and Jaramillo courts before it, concluded that the Act forbade neither the military's giving materiel or equipment to civil law enforcers, nor the lending of military advisers. However, although three of the four Wounded Knee courts came to this conclusion, none agreed on the standard to be applied to determine when the Act has been violated. The disagreement among the Wounded Knee courts has created confusion about the Act's parameters.

Four different levels of military involvement have been ruled to be acceptable:

- * as long as citizens are not subjected to military compulsion;
- * if it does not involve direct active use of troops in civil law enforcement;
- * presence of military personnel must not pervade or influence the actions of civil officials; and
- mere presence of military advisers is unacceptable involvement.
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On appeal, the federal Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the Wounded Knee convictions. In so doing, however, it merely agreed with the McArthur court's rationale that so-called "passive" military involvement is not prohibited. It did little to clarify what military activities, especially in the context of a mass protest, cross the Act's boundaries.

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AMENDMENTS Then came the Drug War in the early 1980s. This was the beginning of an almost obsessive congressional determination to insert a military presence into domestic drug law enforcement, regardless of Posse Comitatus. After the inconsistencies of the Wounded Knee cases, confusion persisted in the courts over what level of military involvement constituted a violation of the Act. Of particular concern was just where "active" participation ended and "passive" participation began. Because of conflicting court interpretations, military authorities expressed reluctance to assist civil law enforcement in the drug war even if the aid might be considered "legally proper."

Congressional hearings were held in 1981 to consider whether amendments to the Act were needed that would more clearly enable the military to "passively" provide intelligence, materiel, transport services, and training to local law enforcement agencies. In debating the proposed amendments, members likened drug smugglers to an "invading army" that was pitted against local law enforcers so lacking in resources that they could interdict only 15% of the then \$80 billion worth of drugs flowing into the country annually.

Congress passed amendments to the Posse Comitatus Act as part of the DOD Authorization Act of 1982. The amendments passed over the numerous objections of civil liberties groups. Most important of these was the prediction that even passive military assistance, such as the provision of equipment and equipment operators on a routine basis, would unduly threaten the civil-military separation. Further, the ACLU warned that permitting military personnel to train civilians in the operation of military equipment would allow the military to assume functions that should be the responsibility of police academies.

The 1981 amendments to the Posse Comitatus Act permit the military to provide civilian law enforcement officials with information, equipment and facilities as well as training and advice. They further give military personnel limited authority to actually operate or maintain equipment made available to civilian forces in certain situations such as aerial reconnaissance when enforcing drug laws. Courts have interpreted these amendments as permitting the use of both military equipment and military operators to assist local police officers in searches for drugs.

Later amendments to the Posse Comitatus Act include a 1987 requirement that the Secretary of Defense conduct an annual briefing for local law enforcement personnel in each state regarding the "information, technical support, and equipment and facilities available to civilian law enforcement from the Department of Defense." This section also requires that the DOD make available to these law enforcement officials a comprehensive list of all the "suitable" military equipment available.

In addition, Congress specifically amended the Act in 1993 to provide procedures for states (and local agencies) to purchase "law enforcement equipment suitable for counter-drug activities" through the Department of Defense. What these amendments have meant is the proliferation of local police use of military equipment (flash-bang grenades, assault rifles, armored personnel carriers) that are accouterments of war. Anyone who has participated in anti-globalization protests such as those in Seattle or Washington, DC, has witnessed the proliferation of armored personnel carriers as weapons of intimidation. The use of such equipment is permissible under both amendments to the Posse Comitatus Act as well as court interpretations that approve of the use of military equipment by civilian law enforcement.

Other courts have gone further to say that there are no limits on a state governor's powers to use the National Guard "to execute the laws." Further, courts have also said that all a governor has to do is to "generally authorize" use of the National Guard, leaving implementation and supervision up to local police. At least one state court has held that such an arrangement (almost by definition) does not violate a state constitutional requirement that the "military must at all times be subordinate to civil authority."

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COUNTER-TERROR AND BEYOND In January 1999, the Department of Defense asked President Clinton to appoint a "military leader" in the event of a terrorist attack on U.S. soil. The powers of this "Homeland Defense Command" leader were left unclear. Also left unclear was just how far the U.S. Army can exercise "Homeland Security" law enforcement activities in light of what is left of the Posse Comitatus Act.

We now have a "terrorist attack" and the formation of a new "Homeland Security Department" seems imminent. What is left of the Posse Comitatus Act is being bent into strange contortions. At least 1,600 federalized National Guard troops now patrol "homeland security" activities along U.S. borders under the supervision of federal law enforcement agencies. These troops are considered exempt from the Act since they are somehow no longer part of the Army or Air Force once deputized and are rather under the operational control of a federal law enforcement agency. State-controlled National Guard troops patrol airports. The Senate Armed Services Committee has recommended expanding the use of federally funded state National Guard troops to perform other "homeland security" activities "as has been the practice for more than a decade in connection with counter-drug activities" authorized under 32 U.S.C. §112.

Other congressional discussions encompass the last Posse Comitatus barrier, that of involving the U.S. Army directly in routine state and local law enforcement activities of search, seizure and arrest. Last October, Senator John Warner (R-Va) ranking member of the Armed Services Committee, openly questioned the value of retaining the Posse Comitatus Act. Most military leaders don't even want the burden. Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz rejected a suggestion that Army Delta Force troops be used to provide airliner security by saying: "This is fundamentally a civil function. It doesn't require all the exotic training that Delta Force members have. It requires law enforcement training that our people don't have."

But the last wall erected by the Posse Comitatus Act has more to do with our basic values and the democratic principles on which our country was founded and by which we profess to live than it does with the practicalities of training. As former Secretary of Defense Caspar Weinberger stated bluntly, military involvement in civilian law enforcement is "extremely repugnant to a democratic society." It is truly a frightening thought that Americans might out of fear of terrorism choose "a more intrusive means of protection" over democracy, civil liberties and egalitarian values.

Lynne Wilson is a Seattle attorney who writes about police misconduct and new police technology for CovertAction and the National Lawyers Guild. She received the 2002 Paul Robeson Peace and Justice Lawyer of the Year award from Mothers for Police Accountability.



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The WARRIOR EDITORIAL GUIDELINES

Letters to the Editor are welcome and greatly encouraged. If you have something to say let the other Warriors know how you feel about a particular issue. That also let's the state office help make your Newsletter more interesting. Only current paid TMRA II members may submit a "Letter to the Editor"; a name and phone number must be included with the letter for Contact/membership verification purposes. Maximum of 150 words except reports. Please do not submit slanderous or accusing letters or profanity. **We reserve the right to edit or refuse any submissions for publications that do not meet these standards.**

The WARRIOR MATERIAL DEADLINE

All submissions intended for Warrior publication must be received by the **25th** of each publication month. The Warrior would be much enhanced if each chapter and each Advisor would submit reports so all members would know what was happening all across the state. Please give this a try.

DISTRICT 3

Riders for Rights (Pointblank)

Riders for Rights Chapter Report 12-4-11

We called our meeting to order at 3:10pm, followed by the pledge, prayer, and treasurer report.

First thing we discussed in old business was SB 291 in Michigan, that the Michigan Abate asked for our help with. This bill gives Michigan helmet choice. It has now passed the house and senate. Its been sent to Governor Snyder, its time to write him now.

I then brought up H.R. 3199 again on the Federal Level. This is the bill that requires the EPA to do more studies on 15 percent Ethanol, before forcing us to use it. It now has 5 Cosponsors, still none from Texas, so we need to keep writing our Representatives.

I then read the report from the warrior on what took place at the Texas Motorcycle Safety Coalition Meeting that was held Nov. 9, 2011. We had a discussion on it, everyone wants our Riders Ed Funds to be accounted for, and plans on helping any way they can.

From there we discussed the triggering of red light signals by motorcycles, 12 states have now passed laws allowing motorcycles to pass through red lights legally if they cannot detect bikes. Texas currently only allows emergency vehicles to pass through red lights. All other vehicles must change lanes or turn right and find another route if light doesn't change. Some lights do not always detect motorcycles.

We had discussion on the Sputnik Memorial Run, we want to thank everyone who attended and helped with the event. We also want to give American Legion Riders Post 212 a big thanks for hosting the event for us.

We did the 50/50 drawing and adjourned the meeting.

Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Looking forward to the New Year.

TMRA 2 Dist. 3 Adv.

Riders for Rights Chp. Coord.

Adam Barker



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Riders for Rights (Pointblank) continued Riders for Rights Chapter Report 1-8-12

We called our meeting to order at 3:15pm, followed by the pledge, prayer, and treasurer report.

First we thanked American Legion Riders 212 for their support of TMRA 2 and for letting us use the post for our Riders for Rights Chapter Meetings.

Then we went on to discuss the 2 call to actions we had last month. The first being SB 1867- The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012. This bill made it through the Senate and has legislation in it that gives the military the ability to detain and imprison U.S. Citizens, without trial or jury. It also gives the military the ability to be involved in domestic law enforcement. This is a loss of rights for all of us. The second call to action involved SB 1449- The Motor Vehicle and Safety Improvement Act of 2011. The changes were made to this bill, so not allow the feds. to encourage states to enact helmet laws. A big win for us.

We then talked about the Noise Cameras that have been introduced in Calgary, to measure loud pipes on bikes and ticket them. These devices could begin to be used by cities across the U.S.

Finally we discussed the use of roads guards during rides and what the law says about it.

We are having a benefit for Tony T-Bone Riffe* at American Legion 212 Jan. 29, 2012. He went down on his bike while road guarding for us during the Sputnik Memorial Run and had to be hospitalized. ALR 212 and Riders for Rights Chp. are putting on benefit to help him with his medical bills, I'm asking all TMRA 2 Members who can attend to do so. He's a TMRA 2 Member who is always there for us and now we need to be there for him. I will update people on the event as I get the info.

We did the 50/50 and adjourned the meeting at 4:30pm, the meeting went great we had 14 members and 8 guests.
Happy New Year everyone.

TMRA 2 Dist. 3 Adv.
Riders for Rights Chp. Coord.
Adam Barker

***See benefit flyer for Tony T-Bone Riffe on page 23**



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DISTRICT 5

**Texas Owners Group (Ben Hur)
Chapter Report 1-8-12**

The Texas owners Group met at Tradinghouse Bar and Grill in at 1:00 on Jan 08, 2012. We had 32 members present.

Sue Platt read last month's minutes. They were approved and accepted into record.

She also read a text from State Chairman Jerry Rose appointing Sandra Lynch District Advisor for District 5.

Jerry Rose was going to be our guest speaker but was unable to make it but he will be there next month.

One of our guests Tony Pena invited our chapter to come to the courthouse in Waco to support a court case where a fellow biker Jake he was riding with was killed by a negligent driver running a red light.

I told her chapter about a fund raiser from the Riders for Rights chapter on March 31,2012 .

We also collected 85.00 in donations.

Next meeting is Feb. 12. Meeting adjourned at 2:00.

Sandra Lynch
TMRA2 District 5 Advisor

DISTRICT 17

**1st Brazoria County (Angleton)
TMRA2 DEC 2011 NEWS**

BECAUSE FREEDOM CAN'T PROTECT ITSELF!

We are viewed by many, not only in law enforcement, but by many thousands of citizens in the general public as undesirables, and the further degradation of our civil rights as bikers will continue unless we are aware of any covert actions under way to move against us and other Americans without due process and/or representation. These are very interesting, and dangerous times in America at-large.

In closing, stay aware of all that is going on legislatively and be a part of the vast network of bikers nationwide who are watching and taking action against those who advocate the negative attacks on our way of life as bikers ~ "SUPPORT YOUR NATIONAL, STATE, AND LOCAL COC US DEFENDER PROGRAM!"

The Texas Straw Poll is being supported by the Lake Jackson TEA Party and many other TEA parties across Texas. It will be held in Minute Maid Park in Houston January 12-14, 2012. Many of us are volunteering - and Lake Jackson TEA Party will have a table/display at the event. There is a full agenda over 3 days with lots of training sessions and speakers. See the attached document for registration details. If you would like to car pool - let us know and we can help set up a car-pool group. Also, if you would like to volunteer for the registration duties, please let me know as I am heading that committee.

This non-binding straw poll is an opportunity for conservative registered Texans to voice their opinion and support the candidate of their choice. The Texas Republican primary is 26th and will be held on March 6--by then it may be that our Republican primary candidate has already been chosen by the early primary/caucus states such as Iowa, New Hampshire, S. Carolina, Florida, Nevada and Maine.



Sign up to attend and volunteer if you can - this is a significant undertaking and help insure that the voice of conservative Texans is heard across the country!

Remember, our next Lake Jackson Tea Party Town Hall is January 5th. Check out our web site for details. Annette Bennett Chairwoman, Lake Jackson Tea Party www.lakejacksonteparty.wordpress.com

A consumer watchdog group says municipalities are signing contracts that force them to write a certain number of tickets on drivers who run red lights, a situation that jeopardizes safety and puts profits ahead of citizens' interests. The U.S. Public Interest Research Group says that when some municipalities sign contracts with vendors to provide red-light cameras, they end up with agreements that privatize traffic law enforcement in a way that does not prioritize safety. Some contracts split ticket revenue 50/50, with half going to the vendor and the other half going to the municipality. So to make up for the fact that they are giving away half their ticket revenue, municipalities write more tickets.

"Automated traffic ticketing tends to be governed by contracts that focus more on profits than safety," said Jen Kim of the New Jersey Public Interest Research Group.

Profits Over Safety

The recently-released US Public Interest Research Group, titled Caution: Red Light Cameras Ahead, points out that half of all states use some kind of camera system to enforce driving laws. But their presence is increasingly controversial.

Why? Because although running red lights is dangerous -- it accounts for 2% of fatal accidents, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration -- red light cameras may actually cause crashes. Cautious drivers slam on the brakes at yellow lights, increasing the incidents of rear-end accidents. The best way to make red lights safer is to lengthen the amount of time the yellow light stays illuminated. But when municipalities suddenly get into the business of making money off tickets, sometimes towns shorten yellow light times. That's what happened in Glassboro, N.J., last year. After the former mayor of a neighboring town got a red-light ticket driving through the town, it was discovered that yellow lights were shorter than the federal minimum of 4 seconds.

Economic Burden

SUGGESTIONS ON LEGISLATION TO WORK ON NEXT SESSION

Top news events of the DAY:

* Alabama Closing Door to Illegal Immigrants

New Members:

Frank Dietz

1st Brazoria, TX

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1st Brazoria TMRA2 JAN 2012 REPORT

Howdy,

First meeting of the year and what a good turn out. We addressed several topics, one that our District Advisor brought up, was if we should dismiss the State Sec/Treas, as a paid position and see if someone would volunteer for the position. Discussion went pretty deep, but over all we believe the current Way is the way to go and voted unanimously to keep the position. We did request an account where our cost and expense where at, and maybe re-negotiate said expenses.

Also discussed was one of the sources of income that seems to have been a large part of income, the yearly Rally's. With the lost of the one in March, maybe we should look at promoting a Rally down in our area. One thought was to team up with our area chapters and see if they would be interested. A lot of work needs to be done if this venture is to happen.

Our location for the Biker Easter Run has closed down, so different locations were discussed and will be looked into.



1st Brazoria County continued

Next month will be our Chapters Anniversary (est. 2001), a party was planned, hope to see ya there, 04 FEB 2012.

FEDERAL HELMET LEGISLATION NARROWLY AVERTED

Due to the quick actions of concerned motorcyclists across the country, a major federal transportation measure narrowly avoided becoming a bill to encourage states to enact helmet laws nationwide.

On Monday, December 12 Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) filed an amendment to S.1449 the "Motor Vehicle and Highway Safety Improvement Act of 2011" that would call for mandatory helmet laws nationwide and could jeopardize funding for Motorcycle Safety programs across America.

By Tuesday the motorcycle community was alerted to Lautenberg's efforts by national and state motorcyclists' rights organizations, including the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM) and numerous NCOM Member Groups, and riders were urgently urged to contact their U.S. Senators to oppose the amendment -- and time was of the essence because a Senate committee was to vote on the bill the following day!

Wednesday, Dec 14, during the hearing held by the U.S. Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee to "mark-up" the bill, Senator Lautenberg decided not to introduce his amendment.

Not only did motorcyclists' prompt response help avoid another federal helmet law battle and preserve federal funding for motorcycle safety programs, but the committee also voted to accept two amendments by Senator Jim DeMint (R-SC) that removed language in the bill that would have lifted the current ban on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) from lobbying states to enact universal helmet laws for all riders.

S.1449 passed the committee by voice vote and now goes to the Senate floor for further action, while riders remain ever vigilant.

NOISE CAMERA TO MUFFLE LOUD VEHICLES

First came red-light cameras, followed closely by speed-cameras, and now Calgary will soon become the first municipality to introduce noise cameras to the motoring public.

"Motorcycle riders and hotrod enthusiasts beware: the Noise Snare is one step closer to squelching your high-decibel expressions of mechanical masculinity," reported the Calgary Herald about the pilot project that pairs a noise-reader with a camera to catch law breakers.

The \$112,500 device was offered to Calgary for free as the first city to test the gadget, and if all goes well the city expects to be handing out \$200 tickets by summer.

"This is something that will allow municipalities across North America to start enforcing (noise) by-laws. The fact that now it's been proven to be an accurate test is very, very important," said Bill Bruce, the city's director of bylaw services. Electrical engineer Mark Nesdoly invented the "Noise Snare" after a loud motorcycle awoke his sleeping daughter one night.



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Remember, our next Lake Jackson Tea Party Town Hall is January 5th. Check out our web site for details.

The Texas Republican primary is April 3, 2012. **Andy Kerr**, executive director of **Empower Texans**, will discuss why this primary is so important and why conservative leadership is so vital to Texas. He will also review the 82 Legislative session and what lies on the horizon.

Representative Phillips introduced HB 2469 A BILL which was signed by Governor Perry and Enacted on 6/17/2011. The Bill which is relating to a memorial sign program for victims of motorcycle accidents and will be known as [Mike Grove Motorcycle Fatality Awareness Act.](#)

What Insurers Could Do With Info from your Facebook page

Here's yet another reason to watch what you say and do online: Insurance companies are already surfing social media sites to get the scoop about their customers, and what their data-miners find may soon be compiled into a new way to rate you as a risk: a social networking score.

Right now, vendors are building tools to automate the process of searching social media. Such technology would allow insurers and other companies to more easily mine data from Facebook, Twitter and other sites, explains Michelle Megna, managing editor of Insurance.com.

And, just as insurers use credit scores as a factor in assigning you to a risk box, that data could be used to create a social networking score, says Megna.

She isn't alone in thinking the next step may be a social media score. "I think we're going to see data mining companies sweeping the Internet and collating public data about what you like and say and where you go online and use that info to create a social media score that companies can buy," predicts Douglas Heller, executive director of Consumer Watchdog. "And they'll use that to decide how much to charge or whether or not to sell insurance to an individual based on that."

Your digital DNA is gold to insurers. Your online activity -- everything from Facebook Likes, tweets, online searches or membership to a health website -- serves as background to insurers as they're setting rates or claims. "They are using this data to compile detailed dossiers of individuals," says Michael Fertik, founder and CEO of Reputation.com.

A note from the Editor

I can't believe another year has come and gone! Who knew **SKUNK DOTS BIKER NEWS** would still be in print and now celebrating 18 years in publication. We couldn't have done it without the support of our advertisers and loyal readers AND our wonderful staff who have been with us all these years.

Once again I would like to stress to our readers that this publication is about YOU and for YOU! I encourage you ALL to feel free to send us your event pictures and stories about your adventures on the road. It's easy -- just Email them to us at:

skunk1@skunkdotsbikernews.com OR put 'em on a CD and snail mail it to us at: 8016 Jubilee Trail, Iola, Texas 77861. So, let's start hearing from ya'll about your adventures!



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Due to the economy, such as it is, SKUNK DOTS has NOT increased its Advertising Rates or Subscription Rates for several years. All Event Listings are still FREE in the publication and on our website. We do have to charge for the advertising space for events. That's what helps pay to keep this publication going...

Starting January 2012, all Texas Motorcycle Clubs Events (and Flyers) are still FREE on our website.

If you are a Promoter and need an Event Flyer added to our website – we have to charge a minimal fee for a Premium Listing to have the flyer and your website included in your event listing. This will help us pay for the website and our webmistress. I'm sure \$20.00 to have your flyer/website added as a Premium Listing is not too much to ask. Should your event be Advertised in our publication; your event flyer/website will be included on our website as a Premium Listing at no additional charge.

All is payable via our website through PayPal.

Top news events of the DAY:

Teen mistakenly deported to Colombia in U.S

New Members: Johnny Autuy, Phillip Combs, Misty Denton, Maureen Burttschell, and Michelle Fugett, Welcome Aboard.

Frank Dietz
1st Brazoria, TX
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“Recruitment
is the greatest single way
that you as a member
can contribute to
the success of the Association.”





Upcoming Events

JANUARY 29, 2012

This is the benefit for Tony Riffe T-Bone, Jan 29 at American Legion Post 402 9733 U.S. Highway 190 W Livingston, TX 77351, to help pay for his medical bills after going down on his bike while road guarding for us during the Sputnik Memorial Run, He is a TMRA 2 Member who is always there us, now we need to be there for him. I need all TMRA 2 members who can attend to do so.

Thanks,
TMRA 2 Dist. 3 Adv.
Riders for Rights Chapter Coordinator
Adam Barker



American Legion ~ Post 402

Livingston, Texas



Benefit

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Tony (T-Bone) Riffe

Sunday, 29 January 2012

Registration.....11am at American Legion Post 212
 9733 US Highway 190 W, Livingston - KSLU @ 12pm
 1st Stop..... 20 min stay
 2nd Stop..... 20 min stay
 3rd Stop..... 20 min stay
 Last Stop.....American Legion Post 212 - KSD @ 3pm
 Auction begins at4pm
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Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 6, 2012



REGISTER TODAY!

2012 Texas Motorcycle Safety Forum

The 2012 Texas Motorcycle Safety Forum brings together riders, researchers, motorcycle training instructors, educators, and representatives from state and local law enforcement, public health, and government agencies to identify current motorcycle safety issues, discuss the impact of existing programs, and formulate new strategies for reducing the likelihood of motorcycle crashes, injuries, and fatalities in Texas.

When: February 6, 2012 • 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Where: Brazos County Expo
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Texas Transportation Institute,
Center for Transportation Safety
Texas Department of Transportation
Texas Department of Public Safety



Online registration will be available through 5:00pm (CST) on Wednesday, February 1, 2012. www.looklearnlive.org

Walk up registration will be available immediately prior to the event.

Lunch will be served. Please bring \$10 (cash only, exact change).



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FEBRUARY 26, 2012

The TMRA2 DFW Chapter will be having a
Fish Fry on February 26th, 2012:



FISH FRY 2012

Hey come join us for the FISH FRY, its an all
you can eat of “Fish ‘N’ Chips”

\$8.00 DONATION

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**Rain or Shine Indoor Facility
SHUFFLEBOARD --- POOL TABLE ---
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**DATE: Sunday February 26th, 2012 TIME:
12:00 PM till 6PM**

**Where: VFW POST 4477 on
300 South Smith Dallas Tx, 75211**



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MARCH 31, 2012

Texas Motorcycle Rights Association

Riders for Rights Chapter



Fun Run & Fish Fry

March 31, 2012

@

American Legion Post 212

9733 U.S. Highway 190 W Livingston, TX 77351

Post Opens @ 9:00am for Event

*Organized Bike Run- \$20.00 a Bike or \$25.00 a couple,
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Bikes out by 11:00 am, in by 2:00pm

Fish Fry- Starts at 2:00pm (\$7.00 a plate)

*DJ Diamond Dave,
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50/50 Drawings & Silent Auction

All proceeds go to TMRA 2 to fight for our Rights- tmra2.org

For more info. Contact- Adam- 936-662-6842

NOTE: POST number has recently changed from 212 to 402 per Adam

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Chapters by Senatorial Districts

DISTRICT 3 Livingston

Chapter: Riders For Rights. Meets 1st Sunday, 3:00 pm, American Legion Post 402,
9733 US Hwy 190 W, Livingston, TX 77351

Chapter Coordinator: Adam Barker, 936-662-6842, texasbarker@aol.com

District Advisor: Adam Barker, 936-662-6842, texasbarker@aol.com

DISTRICT 5 Ben Hur

Chapter: Texas Owners Group. Meets 2nd Sunday, 1:00 pm, Ben Hur Bar, Ben Hur, TX

Chapter Coordinator: Sandra Lynch, 254-722-9790, sndrlynch@yahoo.com

District Advisor: Sandra Lynch, 254-722-9790, sndrlynch@yahoo.com

DISTRICT 14 Austin

Chapter: Austin Minutemen. Meets 3rd Thursday, 6:00 pm, C-Hunts Ice House, 9611
McNeil Road, Austin, 78758

Chapter Coordinator: Wes Brown 512-635-6479 austinminutemen@gmail.com

District Advisor: Steve Worthington 512-944-4801 steven.r.worthington@gmail.com

Chapters by Senatorial Districts

DISTRICT 15 Greater Houston Area

Chapter: **North Houston Liberty Riders**. Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 pm, T's Bar, 8542 State Hwy 242, Conroe, TX (936-273-5372). About 1/2 mile east of I 45.

Chapter Coordinator: Shannon Conroy, 713-594-4227, shannon.conroy@gmail.com

District Advisor: Gayle Garth, 281-217-1036, gayle.garth@gmail.com

Chapter: **Texas Freedom Riders**. Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7:30 pm, Sam's Boat, 5720 Richmond Ave., Houston, TX 77057.

Chapter Coordinator: Jenna Jones, 832-379-8974, jennas1890@gmail.com

District Advisor: Gayle Garth, 281-217-1036, gayle.garth@gmail.com

Chapter: **Freedom Bay Riders**. Meets 4th Tuesday, 7:00 pm, Wings-N-More, 5003 Garth Rd., Baytown, TX 77521.

Chapter Coordinator: Ernie Nunn, 832-567-1163, ernie53@earthlink.net

District Advisor: Gayle Garth, 281-217-1036, gayle.garth@gmail.com

DISTRICT 17 Angleton

Chapter: **1st Brazoria County**. Meets 1st Saturday, 11:00 am, Christy's, 2610 N. Velasco St., Angleton, TX 77515

Chapter Coordinator: Frank Dietz, 979-964-3480

District Advisor: Jack West, 979-239-2193 knotnormaltoo@aol.com

DISTRICT 22 Waco

Chapter: **Heart O Texas**. Meets 1st Sunday, 1:00 pm, American Legion Post 121, 4th St. & Tennessee, Waco, TX

Chapter Coordinator: Gordon 'Gitso' Ganske, 254-723-1641

District Advisor: vacant

DISTRICT 22 Killeen

Chapter: **Cen-Tex**. Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm, American Legion Post 223, 208 S. Park St., Killeen, TX 76541

Chapter Coordinator: Toolz, 254-449-1805

District Advisor: vacant

Chapters by Senatorial Districts

DISTRICT 23 Dallas/Fort Worth

Chapter: **D/FW**. Meets 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 pm, VFW Post 4477, 300 S. Smith St., Dallas, TX 75211

Chapter Coordinator: Elmer McKeegan, 214-529-2264 or 214-339-5800

mckeegan@tmra2.org

District Advisor: vacant

DISTRICT 24 Abilene

Chapter: **Big Country**. Meets 2nd Tuesday, 7:00 pm, Cossacks MC Clubhouse, Abilene, TX

Chapter Coordinator: Terri Knight 325-829-8331 tktmra2@yahoo.com

District Advisor: Terri Knight 325-829-8331 tktmra2@yahoo.com

Assistant to Advisor: Ron Ashmore 325-338-8494

DISTRICT 24 Granbury

Chapter: **Lake Granbury Liberty Riders**. Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:00 pm, VFW Post 7835, 817-573-9350, 3670 W. Hwy 377, Granbury, TX 76048

Chapter Coordinator: Robin 'Smiley' Curry 817-573-5891

District Advisor: Terri Knight 325-829-8331 tktmra2@yahoo.com

Assistant to Advisor: Robin Curry 817-573-5891 seabeewarriorforchrist@netzero.net

DISTRICT 29 El Paso

Chapter: **El Paso**. Meets 3rd Thursday. 7:00 pm, The Lunchbox, 3623 Buckner Ave., El Paso, TX

Chapter Coordinator: Patrick Wood, tmra2coirelptx@yahoo.com, 915-373-3864

District Advisor: vacant

CHAPTERS PENDING:

District 20: Corpus Christi. Lupita V. Ray, lupitatexas@sbcglobal.net 361-834-1630

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Elgin, Texas 78621

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