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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Carlton R. 'Top Cat' Marcyan



Top Cats, December already! Very hard to believe but soon we will be in the middle of the holiday season and starting a new year. Before it arrives please join me and other Top Cats in making a charitable contribution to the Illinois State Police Heritage Foundation.
www.isphf.org



The Heritage Foundation began in December 2000 to preserve the history of the Illinois State Police. It is a not-for-profit corporation and a qualified 501(c) (3) charity as recognized by the IRS. The Foundation purchased property in 2004 in Springfield, IL where it has opened a museum and plans on building you a memorial. By the way, the Illinois State Police started April 1, 1922 as a motorcycle unit with 8 men serving as highway patrol officers with a mission of enforcing the weight laws to protect state roads from damage caused by overweight trucks. (Apparently overweight citizens were not yet a problem.)

Currently, there are over 2,100 officers and close to 1,700 support personnel. The State Police has certainly grown since its inception and has greatly expanded its mission. For those of you that attended our last membership meeting, you will recall I made a challenge to our members to match any contributions made by Top Cats. I will keep this offer open until mid December when we will send, *en mass*, all the checks received to the Foundation as a contribution from members of Top Cats – Illinois. I understand that their 3rd annual motorcycle ride to Springfield will occur July 31, 2010. I will keep you informed as details are made available. Paying respect to our State's police officers is a tremendous way for us to let them know who we are,

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'TIS THE SEASON FOR PICKPOCKETS

Avoid being the victim this holiday season by taking some simple precautions when out shopping for loved ones. Wallets stuffed into back pockets, purses slung over shoulder while carrying bags full of presents, and backpacks of all kinds in crowded spaces are inviting targets for thieves.

Pickpockets and thieves often work in teams of three to five people, and watch for shoppers and others who don't take precautions. You should be especially wary of anyone who drops keys or change, appears to faint or bumps into you. A thief may be right behind.

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Upcoming Events

November

- 3 General Meeting
- 10 Board Meeting

December

- 1 General Meeting
- 8 Board Meeting

January

- 6 General Meeting
- 13 Board Meeting

TOP CATS 2010 ELECTION RESULTS

BY GARY BRANDT



The official 2010 slate of candidates was submitted and approved by the Board at the October 13th meeting. This year we are once again honored to have members whose passion and skills drive them to contribute to the success of the organization.

The election was held at the December 1st general meeting. This year there were no contested races. The process adopted for this year called for a voice vote, of the entire slate at once. A written ballot was not necessary due to the lack of any contest.

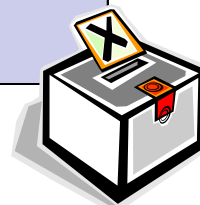
The following were unanimously approved by voice vote at the December meeting:

2010 TOP CATS OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President:	Carl Marcyan	<i>(Incumbent)</i>
Vice President:	Mike Bradbury	<i>(Incumbent)</i>
Treasurer:	Tom Nichols	<i>(Incumbent)</i>
Secretary:	Muriel Brandt	
Director 1:	Wayne Kirkpatrick	<i>(Incumbent)</i>
Director 2:	Larry Scalzitti	
Director 3:	Stewart Johnson	

Dennis Dougherty remains on the board as Director, with one year remaining on his elected term

Gary Brandt remains on the board as Past President with one year remaining, due to the president's incumbency





KAUTION KORNER

WINTERIZE NOW FOR SAFER SPRING RIDING

What you do now with your motorcycle in preparation for storage could have a huge effect on the start up and safe operations of your motorcycle in the spring.

If you choose to ride year round, through the cold winter months, there is no need to be concerned about winterizing your motorcycle. However, for many motorcyclists in the Midwest, the end of fall marks the time to winterize. There are many opinions on what should be done when winterizing, thus it takes on many forms with bikers. From just throwing a tarp over the bike to a 20+ step check list. The following are a few basic steps to help protect your motorcycle over the winter and to help ensure safer trouble free spring riding.

Clean Up, Gas Up, and Oil Up

1. Clean Up - Give your bike a thorough hand washing removing all bugs, dirt, and grime, which can become acidic and damage the finish. Make sure you touch and check all parts to see if they are loose or missing, and follow up with a coat of wax. This will help to protect and preserve your bike's finish.

2. Gas Up - Top off your gas tank to eliminate space where condensation can build and add the recommended amount of your manufacturer's approved fuel stabilizer. Don't forget to take a ride around the block or let the bike idle for a minimum of 10 minutes to circulate the mixture through the engine and carburetor or injectors.

Oil Up – This is an important step in getting your motorcycle ready for winter storage because used oil that sits in your bike all winter becomes corrosive and can damage engine parts. Dump old oil and fill with fresh for the winter. It's suggested that you retain the old filter through the winter and plan on removing and replacing this winter oil along with the filter in spring. If you decide to use this winter oil after the winter thaw, you will want to change the filter now with the oil. It is also recommended that you check all your fluids and if your bike is water cooled; don't forget to check the strength

of the coolant/antifreeze.

Tires, Battery, and Cover

Tires - You should inflate to the proper pressure and checked for damage, dry rot, and worn tread. If possible, store your bike with the tires off the ground or with as little weight on the tires as possible. It is recommended placing ¼" to ½" piece of cardboard or plywood under the tires to keep the rubber up from the freezing floor.

Battery - Check your battery for any visual damage and clean battery terminals. Store your battery above 32 degrees. This may require you to remove it from your bike. If you leave the battery in your bike, disconnect the negative cable. Because batteries self-discharge, connect to a Battery Tender or trickle-charge at least once a month.

Cover - Sounds simple. It is if you remember a few pointers. Mice will be checking out your bike, and the only way to possibly avoid this is to park in your living room. Mice can get into exhausts, air cleaners, and under seats by batteries. It is suggested you take a heavy breathable cloth and a couple of rubber bands and tightly cover the ends of your exhaust pipes and air intakes (checking for holes in the cloth in spring). Now cover the bike up with a breathable cover, not plastic as it holds in moisture and not a blanket as it attracts moisture.

Whether you winterize by using the steps above or you take it to the next level by adding several more of your own, what you do now holds the secret to safer trouble free Spring Riding



15TH ANNIVERSARY JOURNEY

By Traveler

It won't be long before we start humming Neil Diamond's Brother Love song...*"Pack up the babies and grab the old ladies, now everyone goes, cause everyone knows, it's Brother Love's show, hallelujah...."*

Sturgis and the 70th Annual Black Hills Motorcycle Rally are goin' down from 8 – 14 August 2010. As has been our tradition for 15 years, Top Cats will journey to the Black Hills Rally starting Wednesday 4 August. The concept this year is a twist on previous years and helps commemorate our 15 - year Top Cats anniversary.



In concept, we are planning two rides out to Rapid City and, at least, two rides home via some scenic routes. Between now and next summer, we will canvas our members to determine the interest in return routes after Sturgis, and finalize our plan.

Here is what we're considering so far; Bard Bo-and will lead the traditional, RT 12, three day ride to Rapid City and Gary Brandt will lead a two day, I 90, ride to Rapid City. Wayne Kirkpatrick will lead a post – Sturgis return ride home via Colorado, New Mexico and the Santa Fe Trail.



As we get closer to Bike Week in August, we will have plans finalized for other options to return home.

Rates at the Alex Johnson during the Black Hills 70th Anniversary Rally will range from \$150 to 202 per night. Reservations must be made before June 10.



Stay tuned for updates, more Sturgis return route options and be sure to make your Top Cat reservations at the Alex Johnson Hotel, soon, 1 800 888-ALEX.



“A WHEEL WITH A MOTOR” OR AS I LIKE TO CALL IT “A FUTURE VISIT TO THE HOSPITAL”

By Motorcycle Mike

If a 2 wheeled motorcycle is better than a 4 wheeled car, can a single wheeled vehicle be even better?

That is doubtful in my book but many have thought otherwise through the years. This is an article about monocycles and monowheels. The definition of a monocycle is a unicycle but a monowheel is a one wheeled vehicle similar to a unicycle. Instead of sitting above the wheel, the rider sits either within or next to the wheel. Many mono-wheeled designs have been created throughout the years with some even produced into working prototypes. Some are powered by the rider like a bicycle with pedals and others powered by a motor. Most have been the pursuit of individual inventors and small companies who with a bolt of lightning styled inspiration seemed driven to prove that a single wheeled conveyance is achievable and can replace other modes of transportation by offering less expensive single rider machines for individual travel.

The first monowheels were powered by a rider with pedals in the year 1869 and were created by numerous companies and inventors. In 1869, (4) versions of monowheels were invented. Rousseau of Marseilles and W. Jackson & Co. of Paris, France produced a version of a monowheel. But Allen Greene and Elisha Dryer of Providence, Rhode Island and George Bergner of Washington, Missouri actually received patents almost simultaneously for the first monowheels that year. Others followed with their designs all similarly based on a single wheel with the rider inside of it.



The first motor powered monocycle, called the Garavaglia Monowheel appeared in 1904. Next the Edison-Puton Monowheel was built in 1910 with a 150cc single-cylinder motor. Others followed such as; The Coates Monowheel patented in 1912, and the D'Harlingue Monowheel in 1917. The D'Harlingue Monowheel had the driver sitting behind the wheel

which is a unique approach to monowheel driving. Another monowheel was created by David Cislighi who

obtained a French patent for his design in 1924.

The Motoruota Company produced a motorwheel fittingly called The Motoruota ("motoruota" is Italian for "motorwheel") in 1927 with a 175cc engine and a 3 gear system.



The Dynosphere or Dynasphere was invented and created by Dr. J. H. Purves in 1932. This monowheel differed from others because it could stand on its own wheel by itself without the need for continuous balancing aided, I am sure, by the outside of the wheel being part of the surface of a sphere. It was reported to reach 30 mph and was powered by a 2.5 hp petrol engine with a total weight of 1,000

pounds. The unit was intended to seat 2 or 3 people with future versions intended to be steered by using some mechanism to move the cabin to one side to tilt the wheel. A one man version was made that was electrically powered supposedly with lead-acid batteries.

The Nilsson monowheel, invented by Walter Nilsson, appeared in 1936 and was also described as an "unowheel" in an advertisement posted that year as having a 12hp single cylinder engine capable of up to 10 miles an hour and a cost for 800. All of this is unproven and consistent with the history of monowheels as the claims of amazing speeds and low powered engines are common. This is and incomplete and hopefully somewhat representative history of the monowheel and its development to our present day.



RIDING INTO THE HOLIDAYS!

Are you wondering what to give the people on your Holiday list? Do you want to keep the holidays ROARING??
(Motorcycles...not fires)

Here are some tips for gift-giving for those on your list... Let me know what you chose and how it 'rolled' !
(How the recipient reacted)

This is a great website and had gifts for everyone in every price range! Lots of fun shopping here:
<http://www.findgift.com/Categories/Collectibles/Motorcycles/>

Children: Start them early! \$59.95



Stress: Let this roll on your desk while you get your thinking done... \$3.99



Home Decorating: So you know which ways the wind will take you while you ride! \$49.95



Family Riders: A personalized characature - For Home or office! \$14.00



Dressing up in FREEDOM for him and her:

\$99.95



\$149.00



A Special Memory of a good ride!
16' x 12" metal sign... ! Thanks Dennis!

\$11.95



A Great Tip from Wayne: Roadside Recovery/Assistance Insurance!

Mark Sullivan suggested the IRON package of tree ornaments! That would add some 'shine' to a tree!



**the World
According to Andy**



Merry
Christmas
&
Happy
New Year!





The present modern day version of a monowheel seems best symbolized by Kerry McLean of Walled Lake, Michigan and what he has created. His monowheel he prefers to refer to as a monocycle (I know...it can be confusing!) has a 40 hp, water-cooled ex snowmobile engine and is licensed for the road! It has reached a speed of 53 mph. McLean also has made a V8 monowheel with an aluminum block, dual quad carbureted Buick V8 engine.

Kerry's sells a hand built monowheel for approximately \$8,500 with a 5hp Briggs and Stratton engine.



Finally, other versions of monowheels and cycles exist in our modern age. Ben Guilak has developed a self balancing all-electric "unicycle" call an Uno. This zero emission "cycle" (dare I say it) or monocycle for you purists has 2 wheel chair engines built within a Yamaha R1 modified frame with side by side dual wheels. The acceleration requires the driver to lean forward similar to a Segway as well as a complex system of sensors and gyroscopes to maintain balance. Theoretically this machine has a top speed of 40 mph but the prototype has not been driven over 15 mph.

These things seem insane to me. I don't see where the bags would go and you could never let go of the bar to

signal because it looks like you could endanger your life! But seriously, in my humble opinion, there seems to be inherent instability in a wheel design with the rider inside that has a steering system based on rider lean and weight distribution because most of these machines had a low speed threshold for course corrections becoming a wobble to then quickly becoming a big flip floppy mess.

For more information including images of some of these machines and movies (particularly on a link to Kerry McLean's website for a movie of a few of his test crashes) plus more use this link on the web. I give many thanks to Douglas Self and his website as the primary source for this article along with additional sources on the internet. .

<http://www.dself.dsl.pipex.com/museum/TRANSPORT/motorwhl/motorwhl.htm>



Rock on you crazy one wheeled riders! That sure is *something different*.

.....you think Uncle Sam would ride with our club flag on this on????



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Continued from page 1)

what we stand for and enhance the reputation of Top Cats – Illinois.

Hope to see you at our next membership meeting and bring your checks or send them payable to Illinois State Police Heritage Foundation to my attention at my office address: Schiller DuCanto & Fleck, LLP 225 East Deerpath Rd. Suite 270 Lake Forest, IL 60045-1973.

Happy Holidays and RIDE ON!

Carl

TIS THE SEASON FOR PICKPOCKETS (Continued from page 1)

Other suggestions include:

- keeping receipts separate from your wallets;
- avoid carrying unnecessary personal information, such as a social security card, old credit cards or ATM receipts;
- keeping purses close to your body, preferably in front of you or under a jacket or coat;
- keeping wallets in front pants pocket or coat breast pockets;
- walking confidently;
- not leaving packages and other valuables on car seats where they can be seen;
- not leaving purses slung over chairs in restaurants and stores;
- and not carrying valuables in backpacks, which have little security.

Take this coupon to Buffo's and get \$5 off a large cheese pizza...



Compliments of Top Cat's own Lenny Innocenzi!

Buffo's Italian-American Restaurant

**431 Sheridan Road
Highwood, Illinois 60040**

WANTED



Top Cats Historian

The Top Cats Board is looking for a member to become official historian for the club.

Over the next year we want to create a written and oral history of our club that we can share with existing, new, and potential members.

The club turns 15 in 2010. Many of our legacy members have or will be moving on. We want to capture their and others' stories of our humble beginnings as well as favorite tales of the road.

If you have an interest in becoming Top Cats Historian or being a part of this activity please contact Dennis P. (Wombat) Dougherty at wombat@dpdougherty.com



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 3RD, 2009

VILLA SOPHIA RESTAURANT - WAUCONDA

Submitted by Joan DeRango

Meeting called to order- Carl Marcyan

The meeting was called to order at 7:30. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance

Guests were introduced:

Tony and Terry Logan from Palatine HOG. Have applied for membership.

Joe Fidler –Jersey Pinecuisers

A flyer was distributed to the membership regarding Illinois Patriot Guard Riders events for SPC. Jared D. Stanker, 22.

Carl informed the membership about the A.B.A.T.E. conference in Springfield. The conference will be held on 1-15-09 through 1-17-09. Anyone interested in attending should contact Carl.

The Illinois State Police are raising funds to build a memorial for fallen members. Carl incentivised the membership to contribute by offering to match any contribution made by a Top Cat from now until the end of this year.

Carl discussed the potential for developing a new Top Cat pin. The Top Cats logo in the center of wings. Further discussion will be held by the board.

Vice President Report and Presentation by member Larry Scalzitti – Mike Bradbury

A flyer was distributed depicting a variety of shirts available to the membership. Mike also modeled a jacket. Members could order items by either completing an order sheet at the meeting or emailing Mike.

Mike introduced fellow Top Cat Larry Scalzitti owner of LRN2RYD. Larry started LRN2RYD in 2006 because he truly believes everyone can "Learn to Ride". As a MSF instructor he felt he could take the positive aspects of their program and expand upon it

to deliver a variety of training courses for all kinds of riders. The course offer more one on one attention, more time on the bike, well maintained bikes for practice and enthusiastic, knowledgeable instructors. Larry walked through a power point presentation of what LRN2RYD offers. For specific details of the programs and times available go to the LRN2RYD website at www.lrn2ryd.com.

Secretary's Report – Joan DeRango

Nothing to report

Membership – Eileen Perry

Nothing to Report

Safety/GRASS/Road Captains – Wayne Kirkpatrick/Don Shaffer/Ric Case/Gary Brandt

The G.R.A.S.S. schedule for 2010 is being formalized by Ric Case. No dates yet.

Gary Brandt recognized Dennis Dougherty's achievement of becoming a Senior Road Captain.

Mike Bradbury gave this month's safety tip on Dealing with Road Construction. Please read November's ROAR for specifics. Members offered other tips and suggestions for safely riding through construction zones.

The awards committee has developed a "Stars" award program that will be used to recognize the number of rides led by Road Captains.

Activities – Greg Smith

No official rides on calendar for the remainder of the year. Look for pick up rides on the website.

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES (CONT)

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Working on winter activities – please give Greg your suggestions.

Wayne thanked all the Top Cats that showed for the Rolling Thunder Ride on October 11th. Despite the cold weather the event was successful due in part the support of the Top Cats.

A Veteran's Day celebration will be held on Saturday November 7th at Woodstock Harley Davidson. Rolling Thunder will hold a Remembrance Day Table Ceremony.

Wayne will lead a pick up ride on Sunday Nov. 8th. Start time at 9:00 a.m. at the Shell Station on 60 & 176 in Mundelein. Plans to visit 3 different leather shops and have lunch at Spokes.

Plans for Sturgis are being finalized. Bard continues to negotiate with the Alex Johnson. He has currently negotiated a 35% reduction in room prices from their standard. Rates are on a sliding scale with room prices increasing during the actual rally dates. This will be Top Cats' 15th year in existence and Sturgis' 70th year so additional plans are being made to encourage Top Cats' members to participate in the Sturgis ride this year. Different route options out to the rally will be offered as well as post rally rides. Details will be available on the calendar soon. Check the website for updates.

Past President Report – Gary Brandt

Gary presented the unopposed slate for the 2010 Top Cats' Board

Carl Marcyan – President

Michael Bradbury – Vice President

Tom Nichols – Treasurer

Muriel Brandt – Secretary

Wayne Kirkpatrick, Stuart Johnson, Larry Scalzitti – Directors

ROAR – Website – Dennis Dougherty/Mary Walters/Andy Konsewicz

Dennis thanked both Mary Walters and Andy Konsewicz for their continued efforts in publishing the ROAR. Members are encouraged to write an article and submit it for publication to Mary Walters.

In order to move ahead with the plans for upgrading and developing a more robust website Dennis is seeking assistance in filling two roles - Webmaster and Website Editor. The Webmaster needs to be familiar with Joomla. The Website Editor does not need programming experience but needs to be able to manage the site content. Any suggestions or if you are interested in assisting with either of these positions please contact Dennis.

Treasurer's Report – Tom Nichols – via email to Carl

Tom was not in attendance. Carl notified the membership that dues invoices have been mailed. Payments can be mailed to the club's P.O. Box or given to any board member. Please try to have dues paid by the end of the year.

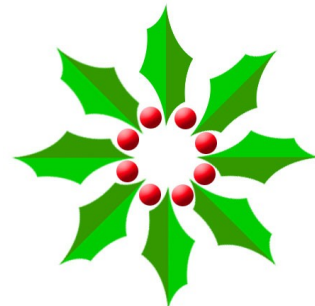
Wayne submitted the invoice for \$214.00 for the Road Captain Stars.

Old/New Business

November 22nd – Posse meeting at Tin Mans – need date for charity ride to present to Posse.

Woodstock Harley Davidson has offered free storage for deployed Veterans.

Meeting Adjourned.





BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 10TH, 2009

D&J BISTRO - LAKE ZURICH

Submitted by Joan DeRango

Board Members Present: Carl Marcyan, Joan DeRango, Wayne Kirkpatrick, Dennis Dougherty, Greg Smith, Mike Bradbury, Eileen Perry and Gary Brandt

Board Members Absent: Tom Nichols

Guests: Larry Scalzitti

Meeting called to order- Carl Marcyan

The meeting was called to order at 7:30.

Carl reported to the board that the costs to trademark the Top Cats' name and logo would cost the club approximately \$2,300.00. This is currently not a budgeted item. Will be considered for the 2010 budget.

Safety & Awards – Kirkpatrick

Safety committee is currently reviewing the content of the G.R.A.S.S. material. Updates will be made to the Road Captain segment and all other segments will be reviewed for possible changes.

Wayne updated the board on the new Stars reward program for Road Captains. After successfully leading 5 rides a bronze star will be awarded, 10 rides a Silver Star and 20 rides a gold star. Based on current and projected rides a 2 year supply of pins were purchased. Pins will be presented at the annual banquet.

An inventory of pins was given to Carl to give to the treasurer to retain.

Planning for the awards portion of the banquet continues. Scheduled to be awarded are the year dangles, Star pins, and the Founders cup. Dennis is working on the PowerPoint presentation of this year's pictures.

The board discussed the possibility of acquiring the "winged" pins using the Top Cats' logo for the center.

After much discussion it was decided that without a specific purpose for the pins purchasing any at this time would not be appropriate. When a specific use is identified the purchase will be reconsidered.

Wayne passed around another award option – a coin. He will research cost and potential use and make a recommendation to the board.

Vice President – Bradbury

The annual banquet date has been set for Saturday Feb. 13th at the Milrose Restaurant and Brewery in Barrington. Mike made a motion to approve a \$500.00 budget for the banquet to cover the costs of invitations, stamps, drink tickets, and awards. Gary seconded the motion –all were in favor so the motion passed.

Mike sought help with suggestions for future speakers. Currently no speakers are scheduled for future general meetings. The following suggestions were made and will be pursued by Mike:

Honor flight presentation. Mary Patino is the contact.

Representative from Nolan. Having the speaker in the spring when the new line is available was determined to be the best time-frame.

Club History Night

Representation from Woodstock Harley Davidson

Mike reported after checking with 11 different suppliers he still has not found any with a higher quality material. Suggestions of Costco and U. S. Flag were given. Mike will try them.

ROAR/Website/etc – Dougherty

Dennis reported that the November issue was available to membership ahead of schedule. An email was

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES (CONT)

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sent from Mary Walters to the membership looking for articles for the next two months. She is working on themes for the next 6 months as well. Dennis reminded the board about their commitments to writing articles.

No member has stepped forward despite advertisement and announcements at general meetings to become the club Historian. A number of different ideas and suggestions were made on how to proceed with this task. In the end it was decided that Carl will work with Dennis on a method for interviewing founding members and obtaining key dates, milestones and stories.

Dennis has connected with John Sweeny regarding updating our website. John is not familiar with Joomla but is technically knowledgeable and should be able to do what we need. He is currently reviewing the site to make an official determination. In the interim Dennis has asked that the board take the responsibility of cleaning up the current information on the site. Dennis distributed a detail listing of the sites contents to the board members and asked each of them to determine what needs to remain and what can be removed.

Membership – Perry

Eileen presented an application for Terry and Tony Loden. After review of their qualifications Wayne motioned to accept the Loden's application for regular membership. Mike Bradbury second the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.



Invoices have been mailed for annual membership. Unfortunately the invoices were not completely accurate but this shouldn't create too many issues. Membership payments can be taken by any board member but tracking will be the responsibility of the treasurer.

Secretary – DeRango

Nothing to report

Past President's Comments-Brandt

Nothing to report

Activities – Greg Smith

50 days left in the year with nothing on the calendar. Greg is looking for winter activities for the calendar. He has a few suggestions that he is currently reviewing.

Wayne gave an update on the Sturgis ride. Wayne, Gary, and Bard will be the road captains. They will be publishing updates in ROAR. The Alex Johnson has agreed to extend our reservation cut off to June 15 and we received a quote from Comfort Inns at \$250.00 / night compared to the Alex Johnson average rate of ~\$145.00.

Treasurer-Tom Nichols

Tom was not present and had not sent any update to present on his behalf.

Old Business/New Business

Carl reminded the board of his commitment to match any contributions to the Illinois State police heritage Fund through the end of the year.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned .

Happy Holidays



Safe Riding in 2010!

FREE ADVERTISING in ROAR for TOP CATS Business Owners

Attention all Top Cats business owners!

As part of our ongoing philosophy to support our members and goal to provide a more value-rich publication, we are now offering free advertising space in ROAR for Top Cats business owners.

Each business owner can submit advertising content and graphics up to 2 X 3.5 inches (Business Card size) for their company.

We will run the ad for 3 months after which you will need to resubmit it.

This offer is for Top Cats business owners only. We are not accepting advertising for other businesses at this time.



RIDES & EVENTS

	Ride/Event	Location	Destination	Time	Leader
Tuesday, December 01,	General Meeting	Villa Sofia	Wauconda	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, December 08,	Board Meeting	D & J Bistro	Lake Zurich	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, January 06,	General Meeting	Villa Sofia	Wauconda	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, January 13,	Board Meeting	D & J Bistro	Lake Zurich	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, February 02,	General Meeting	Villa Sofia	Wauconda	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, February 09,	Board Meeting	D & J Bistro	Lake Zurich	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Saturday, February 13,	Annual Banquet	Milrose Brewery	S. Barrington	6:00pm	Mike Bradbury
Saturday, February 20, 2010	Motorcycle Show	Rosemont Convention Ctr	Rosemont	n/a	n/a
Tuesday, March 02, 2010	General Meeting	Villa Sofia	Wauconda	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan
Tuesday, March 09, 2010	Board Meeting	D & J Bistro	Lake Zurich	7:30pm	Carl Marcyan

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For more information about the Top Cats visit our website at www.TOPCATS.org

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