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**Scenes From AZ-Bike Week 2007**

This was our third official trip to Arizona Bike Week (March 28-April 1). Black Sheep started Phoenix in 2004 under the direction of Buzz Kowacz. During our second AZ-Bike week, that single chapter was developed into three under the leadership of Buzz, Tom Anthony and Mike Teague (previously of Central Ca. where he started the Santa Maria chapter). The chapters have continued to grow in number and favor with other local bikers. The discussion this year centered around preparation for yet two more Phoenix area chapters, a new chapter in Prescott and possibly Tucson. ●



**Western States Rally: July 13-14 .....Register NOW!**

Members and Non-Members alike are invited to this year's WESTERN STATES RALLY in beautiful San Luis Obispo/Morro Bay! The dates are July 13th and 14th with optional no host - no activity sloth days on the 12th and 15th. Live band "The Revelators" and special guest speaker/singer from Australia Steve Grace will be with us. Steve sang for us at NLS and was very well received. The WSR will also feature a poker run, bike games and the traditional "Ride For Pie" (where we lovingly terrorize a local restaurant with over 200 pie hungry bikers!). There's always plenty of door prizes, cash prizes, a ride tee and ride pin, beautiful riding country and our annual "President's Only Breakfast" on Saturday morning.



**Bike Games WSR-'06**

We understand that one or two of the motels below may have already been sold out. If so, ANY motel on Monterey Street in SLO will be within a mile of the others. Our motel options include:

The Sands (805) 544-0500	\$89-\$98
Travelodge (805) 543-5110	\$105-\$115
Los Padres (805) 543-5017	\$99
Super 8 (805) 544-7895	\$109-\$119-\$129

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You may also choose to take advantage of some free housing made available by local Black Sheep members and friends from El Morro Church of the Nazarene. For this option call Scott and Anne Wilcox at (909)596-0869. ●



**Evening Rally WSR-'06**

It's Not Too Late! It's Not Too Far! ...

# ...STURGIS!

When was the last time you went to Sturgis? Too expensive? Too much of a hassle finding a motel room within a hundred miles of the action? If you are a member of ANY Christian motorcycle organization, we have good news for you! Black Sheep member Mark Cruse (Illinois) is representing Wheaton College (Wheaton, Ill) who has opened their Rapid City campus during bike week at very reasonable rates! Rooms are going fast! Contact "Cruizer" at (630) 668-3286 or by email at: [mcruse1@msn.com](mailto:mcruse1@msn.com) ●

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### Two New Area Directors Appointed

Black Sheep is growing fast and it is becoming increasingly apparent that we need to develop a greater infrastructure of leadership. It is for that reason that we are happy to introduce two new "Regional Directors" who will bring support to local chapters. Both are proven leaders and chapter starters, men of good reputation and character. We introduce to you, **Mike Lundborg** (Lundy below) and **Pastor Sandy Shoemaker** (above). Lundy will be assisting our chapters in the Western Great Lakes and Sandy will be assisting our chapters in Northern California.



## Our bylaws describe the job of a Regional Director in the following way:

- To cast vision and maintain the focus and course of the mission statement for the region.
- To act as a liaison with the National office
- To care for and resource chapter presidents.
- To train and deploy new leadership in cooperation with National.
- To promote and develop the ministry of Black Sheep.

We are hoping to soon add regional directors to Southern and Central California as well as Arizona. It's all a matter of finding the right people at the right time. ●

### Why Men Are So Much Happier

Submitted by Steve Trow



What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. You can be President. You can never be pregnant. You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO shirt to a water park. Car mechanics tell you the truth. You never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress \$5000. Tux rental-\$100. People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them. The occasional well-rendered belch is practically expected. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. You know stuff about tanks. A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. You can open all your own jars. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack. Three pairs of shoes are more than enough. You almost never have strap problems in public. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only have to shave your face and neck. You can play with toys all your life. Your belly usually hides your big hips. One wallet and one pair of shoes -- one color for all seasons. You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look. You can "do" your nails with a pocket knife. You have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache. You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes. No wonder men are happier. ●

### SAFETY: Notes From the Saddle by "the Unknown Rider"



wheel world, and I'll try to keep from sniveling and repeating.

It is I, the Unknown Rider, with just a few tips & thoughts from the saddle for my friends. This column will be written on occasion and with the safety and enjoyment of the road in mind. In the future we'll discuss map reading, basic maintenance of the machine and your gear, how to ride and enjoy life in the pack and the best roads, music, movies, ideas, criticism, road kill menu items or diners to deal with. I'll try to explain how and why we do some things on the road or answer the bothersome bits of this way-cool-two-

I'd explain who I am and why I think I am the person for this but then I'd have to do something rude to your cheeseburger on the next pie run (I'd never do bad things to Pie). I hope to collect and pass on tips, whys and why-nots (anyone can tell ya do's & don'ts).

**Today's Notes:** Have you hugged your Harley lately? When was the last time you made sure all the lights worked? All four turn signals, both front & rear brake switches (check for proper off & on), high and low beam, license plate and fender tip lights. Instrument lights, gauge lights and indicator lamps. Especially the oil

and high beam idiot lights and the fuel gauge. The oil pressure indicator can be checked by putting the switch in the run position and not starting the motor, the red "oil can" will show up and then when you do start the motor it will go out as normal. Just like the neighbor's Volvo.

Do you know how to work your four-way flashers? It seems many of us don't know our faithful steeds are equipped with hazard or four-way flashers. They work by pressing **both** right and left turn signal buttons simultaneously and holding then down approximately 1-½ seconds. They are turned off the same way. These will operate when the ignition switch is in the 'ignition', 'lights' or 'run' positions.

I'd recommend reading the manual but if you've already ignored that why change now. Knowledge can only empower you. As for turn signals they shut off automatically and sometimes that's too soon (say when you're in a group). The time and distance system starts when you release the button not when you first press it. So... you can extend the duration of operation by holding the button down and then when you do release it the time & distance computer takes over.

When you ride in a group it is vital that you are passing info on to the people around you 'cause what I don't know can kill me. Kinda like NOT knowing Jesus. Just remember: Jesus would have ridden a motorcycle on the way to tear up the temple. Via con Dios. ●

### THIS Is Why We Ride

By Slow Dog



It's not about the motorcycles but they sure are cool. It's not about the friends we have made, but there sure are a lot of them. We go on a lot of great rides and see some pretty amazing things, but that's not it. And it's not about letting out the "bad boy" and going through some kind of a mid-life crisis, even though that's what a lot of our friends and relatives think. It's about something that we once liked to do that turned into something we now must do because of a deep inner sense that God is using us in a unique and strategic way.

This isn't a "club." This isn't a "riding group." We're not a "clique." This is a ministry and we are missionaries on a mission and we follow a king. Our code is the Holy Bible. Our mission is to tell people about Christ who was crucified as a sacrifice for our sins; who was raised from the dead by the power of God and will return for His church one day. We have surrendered our lives to Him and urge others to do the same for a fulfilling life here and now and for a future in the life to come.

C'mon! Do you really believe that THIS is all there is? Do you believe that we were born like dogs and cats only to die and decay in the ground? What voice do you hear when you are quiet? What do you really think about when you are all alone? Is death merely a door that leads to the next step or is it your ultimate fear that you refuse to think about?

There is a God. He is good. He loves you and has forgiven you of everything you have ever done. You can know Him and know that he loves you. You can have a peace that passes all human understanding – when you surrender your life to Him. He only wants one thing from you...EVERYTHING! Your life, your dreams, your career, your family, your wealth (or debts)...everything.

**A Riddle:** "Live once, die twice. Live twice, die once." What does it mean? ●



# Western States Rally! San Luis Obispo/Morro Bay! July 13-14th

# REGISTRATION

Name(s)	T-Shirt (S-4X)	CELL PHONE
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Member? \_\_\_\_\_ If member, chapter? \_\_\_\_\_ Lodging? \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Enclosed? \_\_\_\_\_

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## SAVE THIS INFORMATION BELOW

**What's Happening?** A beautiful ride to the central coast of California! Two evening rallies with two special musical guests! Poker Run! Bike Games! Door prizes! 50/50! Ride for Pie Friday Night! Includes event tee and ride pin! President's Breakfast! Ride in Bike Contest!  
**Cost:** \$55 per person before June 1st. \$65 after June 1st. Youth 18 and younger are free. **MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS WELCOME!**  
**Motels:** The Sands (805) 544-0500, Travelodge (805) 543-5110, Los Padres (805) 543-5017, Super 8 (805) 544-7895. These motels are all on Monterey Street in SLO just off of the 101. (If booked, choose any motel on or near Monterey St.)  
**Event Location:** El Morro Church of the Nazarene 1480 Santa Ysabel Ave. Los Osos, CA 93402 (12 beautiful miles from our motels.)  
**Directions to Church from Hwy1** South to Morro Bay. Take Los Osos/Baywood Park off ramp and turn right. Follow So. Bay Blvd to the first stop light. At the light turn left and you have arrived.  
**Directions to Church from Hwy101** Take Los Osos Valley Road and travel west. Follow the road to So. Bay Blvd and turn right. Go to Santa Ysabel (2nd stop) and take a right and you have arrived. Lost? Try (805) 528-0391 or (951) 757-9008  
**Schedule:** Registration begins Friday the 13th at 4pm at the church. The evening rally begins at 6pm. (additional schedule TBA).

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All photos below are from last year's Western States Rally in SLO/Morro Bay



