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We're the **Lone Star Voyagers Motorcycle Club**, a chartered club of the **American Voyager Association**, and are looking for new members. The club focuses on Kawasaki Voyager owners but welcomes all makes and models of bikes. Dues are only \$7.50 / year for one-up riding or \$15 / year for two and are due in January. For an application, if there's not one at the back of this newsletter, there's one on our web site at LoneStarVoyagers.org.

Our Secretary - Treasurer Sandra Judge will accept dues and applications at 214490 E. County Road 33 Mooreland, OK 73852-8959. Sandra can be reached by phone at, (580)994-2411.

We are a family-riding club with activities scheduled nearly every month. We are also a fun club with no attendance or participation requirements. You are not required to be an AVA member. Our ride calendar is established at a business meeting that is held at a fall meeting. Normally we plan to host at least 2 camp-in weekends each year. We feature this bimonthly newsletter where members submit articles, & our web site is (LoneStarVoyagers.org).

If you are interested you can contact our President, [Richard Baxter](mailto:richadntexas@dishmail.net), in Liberty Hill (512-515-0133), richadntexas@dishmail.net, or our Vice President, John Herring, in Liberty, TX. (936-336-2840) voyagerjohn@gmail.com or our Sec/Tres [Sandra Judge](mailto:jjudge@pdi.net), jjudge@pdi.net for more information. Hope you can join us.

Richard's Ritings & Wridings



Richard's Ritings & Wridings (#42)

Last newsletter of 2010. That means that Jan 1, the blessing of the bikes, a trip to ([Boerne](#)) San Antonio and going to the ShadeTree Bar & Grill for lunch can't be far away. Yes, it'll be cold getting there. The best we can hope for is that it'll be warm by the time we ride to lunch that day. I hope to see you there.

In 2010, this club got together 12 times, not including the AVA national - not every month, but average once per month. Lots of fellowship & bike riding. Brenda, Dave & Sandra will keep up our riding schedule in 2011. This is a great group & I'm looking forward to riding with you some more.

SFR is set for March 24-26 in Terlingua at the Chisos Mining Co. Motel. The campground, due to a shortage of choices, will probably be the Big Bend Motor Inn & Cinnabar Mine Quarry, er, I mean Campground - don't pitch your tent where Roger changed his fork oil. Elsewhere in this newsletter, there should be a registration (*separate email attachment*) form for Hill country Tour. That'll be in Llano, Apr 28-30. That event won't be an AVA regional this year.

richard

Brenda's Ramblings

[Well it is December, Merry Christmas/ Happy Holidays.](#)

We are about to start a New Year for the LSV. I hope it goes well.

We will have a new Prez; Me and a new vice prez. David Dunn.

It is a first for the LSV a women as prez. I have a few good men to lean on for help if need be in our past presidents. So I can't screw things up to bad.

We have SFR, HCT and the AVA rally coming up for the New Year, and the EVA has a few things coming up. So there will be lots going on.

I hope we can continue the lunch rides in between times, I just have to figure out where to go. So I may be asking you all where you what to go.

Any way enough of my rambling for now. More ramblings to come later.

Treasurer Report:

Here is the breakdown of the account.

On 10/21/10 Brenda closed out the account in Liberty, the account had 675.09, the bank charged a \$5 fee for a cashier's check.

I started an account here in Mooreland on the 21st also, with the money I came home with from VH, \$362.50.

I deposited all into the new account.

We collected a total of \$331 on the quilt, \$79 that Brenda gave me left over from registration and \$191 already in the bank = \$601.00 (downriders fund).

The \$461.34 is what has been collected from sales and dues. (General Fund).

A grand total of \$1062.34 in the bank.

I now have 20 members who have already paid for 2011.

We have shirts, patches, windshield cover and hats for sale, call for price or look on website for information.

Sandra Judge-
Secretary/Treasurer

The Safety Corner:

Cold Weather & Motorcycles

During the "winter" time of year, we motorcycle riders are constantly checking the weather forecast. We're always looking for a chance to get out on the road. With that, we also check the current conditions like temperature, wind & how hard it's blowing.

Just a question to throw out to you; How many of you check the dew point & humidity levels, especially in the mornings?

The dew point & humidity can tell you if bridges & over passes might be frosted over.

There have been several days I've wanted to ride to work in the mornings but due to high humidity, high dew points, & low temps I didn't. What I found was that the 2 bridges I have to cross from Stinnett to Borger have been frosted over.

It only took me one time to learn what to check before I rode. And I learned that lesson many years ago living in the Texas Panhandle. Knock on wood, I didn't lay it down, but I can't say the back end didn't try to become the front end. It was a good thing that I keep an extra change of clothes at work for emergencies. The seat extraction I had to do after I stopped did a number on my jeans.

Just a safety tip based on experience....

Rick Londagin
LSV Safety Officer

This was copied from an old newsletter. I thought it appropriate for this time of the year.

Ride Safe, and have a Holy, Merry Christmas and a Safe & Happy New Year!

John Herring, VP (out going) and (continuing) NL Editor

Working on Bikes And Other Things

No contributions to share this time. Come on people, I know some of you are doing something to your rides! Share with us, please!

Ride Reports

November Lunch Ride (Western Side)

Just got back yesterday from a lunch ride to Johnson City. Charlie and I left New Braunfels about 10:00am. We waited for another rider to possibly show up. We then headed west on Loop 337, again west on 46 and then north on Rebecca Creek Road to US281. It was cool (about 40 when we left NB) and warmed up to almost 60 when we got to Johnson City.

Speedball & Viejo were standing on the corner by the Silver K when we turned the corner. I think they were panhandling for lunch money! After sitting down at our table and ordering, the "talk" began. We started with information about batteries, turned to

CB's and then tires. Well, after about 30 minutes, guess who walks in? Inspector and his son Paul. We, of course, did not give him much grief about the arrival time....yeah, right! He was saying something about the time change. Well, if ya' know Dennis, he can pull your leg as well as Wayne (Noble).

We all got our food (Dennis & Paul a little later) and it was good! Can you ever remember the LSV eating a place that wasn't good? After, we all said our goodbyes, Charlie & I heading south and the rest leaving together for Llano (I think).

Charlie and I got back to New Braunfels about 2:15pm after taking 281 to 306, then a fast zip south on I35. A great ride! Good Food! Good people. Y'all shoulda been there. Might see ya' in Carlos.
MusicMan

LSV Lunch ride to Carlos, TX, 11/20/10

The day started much warmer than I expected (42°F), but it still called for heavy leather, not summer mesh. 125 miles or so from house to Yankee Tavern, thru somewhat barren farmlands of east central TX. Got gas for \$2.519 at Taylor, 18 cents cheaper than anywhere else. It & its 10% EtOH burned as efficiently as anything else I've run lately.

Carlos is a bump in the road on TX 30 @ FM 244, 20 miles E of College Station. Yankee Tavern is I believe, 1st a bar and 2nd a grill - a magnet for American-made V-twins from Houston. I, as well as about half of our group, arrived by 11:15, but waited for stragglers. The small joint fills fast & by the time we ordered at 11:30, it was a 30 minute wait for a hamburger. I had chili - good, not great. All in all, we had 8 club members & 2 guests eventually, in our group. We kind of ate in two sittings. Lies exchanged, tires kicked, & I broke the bad news to our new club vep that he's in office for 2 years, not just one. (Did I forget to mention that to him when we recruited him?) Nice cloud cover on the return trip in mid 70s "heat". That was our final official outing for the year, making 12 such for calendar 2010. Looking forward to Jan 1 & CMA's "Blessing of the Bikes". Attached is a picture of the vest that our outgoing prez wore at the affair. *(you can see this pic on page 1)*- richard b, austin

Up and Coming:

CMA Blessing of the Bikes in Boerne

Saturday, January 1st, 2011 is the date of the next gathering. Yes it's the annual CMA Blessing of the Bikes in Boerne. *This is a change from past years.* The LSV will meet at 2 Valero stations on Highway 46, one, about 2 miles east of highway 281 at approximately 9:00am, leaving there at 9:15. We will then stop again at the Valero station just east of Boerne (on Hwy46) at 1693 River Road from 10:00 - 10:15. With 2 stops this year we really need to stay on time. This will put us at the Blessing location around 10:30am. This will give us time to look around at all the bikes and meet some nice people.

The location for the gathering is in Boerne at the Harley-Davidson dealer, called Javelina HD (29078 I-10 W Boerne, TX). It's on I-35 on the west end of town on the west bound access road. Take exit 546. I hope we can have the highest number participants ever this year. We would need more than the 9 attending LSV members in January of 2009 to do that. It's the last place I saw Clyde & Chong before their accident.

The CMA will have chili, hot chocolate and hot coffee to help you stay warm. This gathering will give you a chance to try out all that new gear and bike accessories you received for Christmas. Generally after the Blessing, the group stops at The Shade Tree around noon (on 281) for lunch before the trek home but I am looking for suggestions this year. Got any?

Come join us!

LSV Hill Country Tour 2011 Agenda

(preliminary - subject to more detail later)

Thurs, Apr 28, 2011

Arrive & setup.

Group ride to supper in Llano about 6 p.m.

Friday

Ride to breakfast in Llano

Leave for Friday guided ride from breakfast restaurant

Lunch on the road

Return to campground by 3 p.m.

Supper on your own

Saturday

Ditto Friday except

business meeting at campground pavillion early enough to

ride to supper after meeting

Sunday

Kiss me goodbye & go home

LSV 2010 Calendar:

Date	Event	Place	Hosts
Jan 1	Blessing Of The Bikes	Boerne	CMA
June	nothing at this time		
July 12-15	AVA National Rally	Holiday Valley, NY	AVA
Oct. 14-17	*Voyage Home	Wallisvile, TX	Herrings
November 12-14	IMS	Dallas	

* These two events are our two ride-in weekends and include a business meeting.

Although not on our calendar, our neighbors, the EVA had their Grand Canyon Run May 6-9 and their Enchanted Tour in Silver City, NM Aug 12-15, 2010. – RB

*Merry Christmas
And
Happy New Year*

Ride Safe