

Star Touring Chapter 153 Meeting Minutes July 18, 2008

I. Call to Order

President Janet Sturkey called to order the meeting of the General Membership of Star Touring Chapter 153 at 7 PM at Coco's Restaurant.

II. Roll Call

Acting Secretary Marilyn Long had all present sign the Sign in sheet. There were 16 members present.

III. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes will be emailed to the officers for approval. Once approved, the minutes will be forwarded to the West Regional Directors.

IV. Items Discussed

Guests Dave Sledge and Bobbie Webb, Bob and Marcia Wolfe and Christina Reed were introduced.

Past President, Mike Haskins announced the upcoming rides:

- July 18 - 20th - Hayfork n' U, Hayfork, N. California
- July 21 - 25 - BONUS - STAR Days
- July 27th - Chapter Ride - Lake Tahoe
- Aug. 2nd - BONUS - CA Star Rendezvous - Ventura Chapter
- Aug. 2nd - Blanket making and BBQ at Marilyn and Jim Long's
- Aug. 10th - Fallen Soldier Ride - Folsom Harley to Auburn Harley
- Aug. 16th - Chapter Meeting/Picnic at a Lake TBA
- Sept. 28th - Washington Ride
- Oct. 10-12 - BONUS - Big Bike Rally in Redding
- Oct. 25th - BONUS - Red Bluff

Treasurer Kim Lahn reported that we have \$911.42 in our treasury. Kim reported that she needs to be reimbursed for expenses for our meetings - in total \$25.10. A motion was made and seconded to reimburse Kim.

LOS Rep Marilyn Long discussed making fleece blankets for children in homes that are not being supported by any other agencies or groups for the holidays. It was suggested that members donate money to this activity and a motion was made, seconded and approved for the club to match the members' giving, dollar for dollar. The chapter's goal is to make 50 blankets in time for the

holiday season. Members were asked to give donations to any chapter officer. There will be a blanket making and BBQ at Marilyn's house on August 2nd at noon. More blanket making parties will be scheduled in case members are unable to attend this one

LOS Rep Marilyn Long also discussed plans for the Chapter's Christmas Party, which is currently scheduled for Sunday, December 7th. No members have responded with other suggested locations for the party. Members were again notified to email Marilyn if they have any other ideas. Marilyn called Cattlemen's in Roseville and is awaiting a return call to confirm if the date is open. Further discussion will take place at the August meeting.

Sergeant-At-Arms David Oxley reported that he is in the process of planning a dinner ride to the Pelican in Auburn. More information to follow soon.

President Janet Sturkey is happy to report that many prospective members have contacted her via the chapter website. She has responded to them and is hopeful that they will attend a meeting or ride to obtain more information about the chapter and STAR Touring.

Dawnia Paul was voted into the chapter.

President Janet Sturkey discussed the Ride, Food and Sponsors Surveys from the last meeting. She reported that the Food Surveys indicated that everyone enjoys Coco's. A vote will be taken at the August picnic to determine if the meetings will continue to be held at the Coco's on Arden Way. The Ride Survey feedback indicated that the majority of members had personal obligations and were unable to attend rides and that it was not due to the price of gas, length of the rides, etc.

The Sponsor Survey was given to members at this meeting. President Sturkey would like to provide the sponsoring dealerships with facts when they ask, "What is STAR doing for us (them)?" Results will be given to the dealerships. Janet reported that Roseville Yamaha wants chapter members to come in for service.

The Labor Day Ride was discussed and it was decided that it would be a three day Chapter ride to the Burney, CA area. A suggestion was made to stay two nights at one hotel, have a bowling tournament and go for a ride. Janet Sturkey and Carol Arens are the Ride Captains and will make the plans and let chapter members know what is happening. Please see message board for more information.

A stipend for Ride Captains if they do a pre-ride was discussed. A motion was made, seconded, and passed. The Ride Captain will start the pre-ride with a full tank, and then keep receipts for fill-ups during the ride and at the end of the ride. They are then to bring the receipts to the chapter meetings for reimbursement. The Ride Captain has the option of requesting this stipend or not.

President Janet Sturkey read guidelines to be followed for the challenge to chapter members to bring in new members. A motion was voted upon at the last meeting but these are the guidelines to be followed for a member to receive a \$50 gas card each quarter:

- Guests must be eligible to join the chapter - a viable member
- Guests must be 18 years or older (children do not count)
- Guests must have a street legal bike, 250cc or more
- Guests must have an M1 license
- Members only get credit for the first meeting or ride Guest attends (cannot bring the same guests every meeting)
- Challenge is done on a quarterly basis and will be tracked by the Secretary
- Challenge prize is for the member who brings the most guests in a quarter

This information will be posted on the web site and message board for everyone to review.

Raffle was held and the following won prizes:

- Bandana - Bobbie Oxley
- Gremlin bell - Robert "Ghost"
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- Kickstand pad - Carol Arens
- Star glass- Janet Sturkey
- Gremlin bell - Bobbie Oxley
- Bandana - Disney Mike Haskins
- Gremlin Bell – Sydney “Fishy” Sheppard
- Star glass – Guest Dave Sledge

Treasurer Kim Lahn collected \$40 for the 50/50 and \$20 went to Bobbie Webb, who donated the money back to the club for the children's blankets.

V. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

Minutes submitted by Acting Secretary, Marilyn Long