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HONORING DEDICATED AMA SUPPORTERS

We would like to take this opportunity to honor two outstanding groups of AMA Chartered Clubs.

The first group first chartered with AMA 75 or more years ago. This group, in alphabetical order, is:

BALTIMORE RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #128
BILLINGS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #15
BRIDGEPORT MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION INC, AMA CHARTER #116
CAPITAL CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #404
CHICAGO EAGLES M/C, AMA CHARTER #499
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DAYTON MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, AMA CHARTER #61
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GREATER AKRON MC, AMA CHARTER #80
HARRISBURG MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #198
LANSING MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #55
MADISON MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #2
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MERIDEN MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #74
MIDWEST MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #81
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NEW JERSEY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #1
PASADENA MC, AMA CHARTER #14
PEORIA MOTORCYCLE CLUB AUXILIARY, AMA CHARTER #113
PEORIA MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, AMA CHARTER #34
PORTSMOUTH MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #359
READING MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #4
RED WING M/C, AMA CHARTER #39
RICHMOND MC CLUB INC, AMA CHARTER #259
SAN FRANCISCO MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #142
SANDUSKY VALLEY RIDERS, AMA CHARTER #547
SOUTH SHORE MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, AMA CHARTER #79
TREATY CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, AMA CHARTER #120
YONKERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #6

The second group first chartered with AMA 50 or more years ago, but less than 75 years ago. This group, in alphabetical order, is:

ATHENS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #396
ATLANTA MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #208
BATTLE CREEK MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #103
BLACKHAWK MOTORCYCLE CLUB, AMA CHARTER #331

BLUE COMET MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #458**
 BULLDOG RIDERS M/C, **AMA CHARTER #927**
 BUSHKILL VALLEY MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #549**
 CAL POLY PENGUINS, **AMA CHARTER #1158**
 CANTON MC INC, **AMA CHARTER #1248**
 CAPITAL CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #1354**
 CENTRAL ILLINOIS M/C, **AMA CHARTER #541**
 CHECKERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #313**
 CINCINNATI CAVALIERS, **AMA CHARTER #533**
 CROSS ISLAND, **AMA CHARTER #1004**
 CYCLE ALLEY RIDERS, **AMA CHARTER #16**
 D C RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #631**
 DAWN PATROL MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #428**
 DAYTON MOTORCYCLE CLUB AUXILIARY INC, **AMA CHARTER #282**
 DIRT DIGGERS-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, **AMA CHARTER #1340**
 DUX MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1410**
 E PA PISTON POPPERS MC INC, **AMA CHARTER #89**
 ELECTRIC CITY RIDERS, **AMA CHARTER #542**
 ENDURO RIDE4RS ASSOCIATION, **AMA CHARTER #1417**
 FARWEST MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1632**
 FLINT MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #137**
 FLYING DUTCHMEN CYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #1636**
 FOUR ACES MC, **AMA CHARTER #194**
 GARDEN SPOT MC, **AMA CHARTER #487**
 GOLDEN EAGLES MOTORCYCLE CLUB-FL, **AMA CHARTER #2057**
 GOSHEN IRON HORSEMEN INC, **AMA CHARTER #211**
 GREATER SEATTLE MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1347**
 HAPPY RAMBLERS, **AMA CHARTER #374**
 HILLTOPPERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #813**
 INDIANHEAD CYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1474**
 JACKPINE GYPSIES, **AMA CHARTER #628**
 JACKRABBITS MC, **AMA CHARTER #827**
 JOLLY ROGERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #405**
 KNIGHTS OF THE ROAD MC-MI, **AMA CHARTER #636**
 LAMOINE RAMBLERS MC CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #734**
 LEBANON VALLEY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1279**
 LIMA MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #681**
 LODI MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #46**
 LOUISVILLE MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #278**
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 MIDWEST MOTORCYCLE RIDERS OF MINNESOTA, **AMA CHARTER #1264**
 MISSOURI MULES MOTOR CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #650**
 MONMOUTH SHORE POINTS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #981**
 MOTOR MAIDS INC, **AMA CHARTER #509**
 MOUNT ST HELENS MC CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #481**
 NEW LONDON MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #695**
 NORTH BAY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #771**
 NORTH WESTERN OHIO MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION, **AMA CHARTER #401**

OAKLAND MC, **AMA CHARTER #72**
OLD FORT MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #573**
PAGODA MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF READING PA INC, **AMA CHARTER #353**
PEKIN MOTORCYCLE, **AMA CHARTER #1032**
PHILADELPHIA CORSAIRS, **AMA CHARTER #68**
PIONEER MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #467**
PLEASURE RIDERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #1062**
PLYMOUTH BLACKHAWKS MC INC, **AMA CHARTER #1578**
PORT HURON MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #727**
PORT STOCKTON M/C, **AMA CHARTER #1195**
PRAIRIE PUPS MC, **AMA CHARTER #109**
PROSPECTORS MC, **AMA CHARTER #1421**
QUABOAG RIDERS INC, **AMA CHARTER #567**
QUEENSBORO MC CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #45**
RAMAPO MC, **AMA CHARTER #111**
RAMBLING WHEELS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1171**
REGENT RIDERS M/C, **AMA CHARTER #989**
RICHMOND RAMBLERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #720**
RIDERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #793**
ROCK RIVER RIDERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #224**
ROCKY MOUNT MC CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #1022**
SALINAS RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #339**
SALT LAKE MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #317**
SAN JOSE DONS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #469**
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #666**
SPRINGVILLE TRAVELERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #249**
STOCKTON MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #322**
SUNLAND SHAMROCKS, **AMA CHARTER #1650**
TACOMA M/C, **AMA CHARTER #58**
TOWN AND COUNTRY, **AMA CHARTER #1590**
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TUMBLEWEED MC, **AMA CHARTER #267**
TURNPIKE RAMBLERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #707**
VANCOUVER BLACK CATS MC, **AMA CHARTER #770**
WABASH CANNONBALL MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #222**
WACO EAGLES MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #104**
WARREN BUCKAROOS MC INC, **AMA CHARTER #307**
WAYNE COUNTY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #130**
WESTERN RESERVE MC, **AMA CHARTER #941**
WHITE ROSE MC, **AMA CHARTER #967**
YANKEE MOTORCYCLE CLUB INC, **AMA CHARTER #714**
YORK MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #107**
ZINC CITY MOTORCYCLE CLUB, **AMA CHARTER #842**
ZOAR VALLEY RIDERS MC, **AMA CHARTER #1455**

The AMA is extremely **grateful to** and **proud of** these clubs for their continued years of support and dedication. A tip of the helmet to you all. THANK YOU !!!!

2008 SANCTION MEETING SCHEDULE AND 2009 FORMS AVAILABLE ON LINE

Please visit www.amadirectlink.com/organizers/bulletins/2008/005.asp to download the 2008 AMA Sanction Meeting Schedule. AMA Staff will attend each of these scheduled meetings to present the AMA Risk Management Workshop, administer the election of Congress delegates and collect feedback from AMA Organizers.

If your district is not scheduled for an AMA Sanction Meeting, contact your local district for more information regarding their specific scheduling plans. You can find district contact information at www.amadirectlink.com/whatis/districtsearch/index.asp. Additionally, if a Sanction Meeting is not scheduled for your district, all 2009 forms should be sent directly to AMA Organizer Services.

2009 charter, sanction, and insurance applications can be downloaded from the "Resources and Forms" area of your Organizers page on the AMA website.

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2009 AMA CONGRESS DELEGATE ELECTIONS BY PROXY BALLOT

The AMA will conduct elections by proxy for AMA Congress Delegates in those Districts not identified on the 2008 AMA Sanction Meeting Schedule. To exercise your voting privileges, it is very important that each organizer submit a completed proxy ballot to AMA Organizer Services no later than December 12, 2008. Results of all AMA Congress Delegate elections will be available in early January 2009.

Proxy Ballots will be mailed to promoting organizers in late October. Please carefully review the Proxy Ballot for a complete list of districts where AMA sanction meetings will not be held as it has changed substantially from prior years.

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM REVIEW-REQUEST FOR COMMENTS/FEEDBACK

The AMA is in the midst of an organizational transformation and much has changed over the past several months as we continue to re-focus on our core mission of promoting and protecting the future of motorcycling. Most notable is the recently announced transfer of the AMA's professional racing activities to Daytona Motorsports Group (Live Nation continues to handle Supercross). We're excited about the AMA's future and looking forward to devoting our energy and resources toward better serving all AMA members.

As part of our ongoing reorganization, we are reviewing many aspects of various AMA programs and services to develop and implement strategies to best support the AMA mission and provide excellent service to AMA members. Included in this process is a review of the AMA's District Organization Recognition Program, and an important element of this review is the feedback and recommendations of all AMA Charter Organizers.

The AMA will soon distribute a questionnaire to each AMA-chartered organization relating to the District Organization Recognition Program. We will also ask for your feedback and recommendations at the AMA Congress and at the scheduled District Sanction Meetings. Your involvement and input is valued and we hope all AMA-chartered organizers will contribute in this review of the District Organization Recognition Program.

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[AMA RISK MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP ON-LINE](#)

The AMA Risk Management Workshop training is now available online! This greatly simplifies the sanctioning process, as you are no longer required to travel to take the training. The complete Workshop runs about a half hour if you view it uninterrupted. However, you can pause and restart viewing if necessary.

Check out the “Resources and Forms” area of your Organizers page for instructions on how to complete the RMW on-line. If you have questions, please contact Organizer Services.

[NEW AND IMPROVED CHARTER APPLICATIONS FOR 2009](#)

Although chartering requirements have not changed from last year, the structure of charter applications has changed for 2009. To simplify the process, separate charter applications for ‘competition’ and ‘recreational’ events are no longer required. For 2009, there is one charter application for promoting clubs and one for promoters. On both applications, you will specify the type of charter/s you are applying for by checking ‘competition’, ‘recreational’, or ‘competition and recreational’. Be sure to check the appropriate box for the type/s of charter for which you are applying and include the appropriate charter fee or credit card information for charges.

Another change for 2009 is that you can now provide two e-mail addresses and two telephone number contacts for your organization. Providing two e-mail and telephone contacts helps us contact you if there is a concern with your charter or sanction. All e-mail blasts we send will be delivered to both e-mail contacts. However, insurance certificates for sanctioned events will continue to be e-mailed only to the first, or primary, e-mail contact listed on the charter application.

Please note that both charter applications now have two sides, and **both sides are required to be completed by each organizer**. Items formerly on the front page of charter applications that are now on side two include the AMA members listing and RMW info. New for 2009 is a section where you will indicate the specific types of events you will be sanctioning.

There will be **no increase** in charter fees for 2009. Even better news is that there has been a **reduction** in charter fees for organizers who charter as competition and recreational in order to sanction both types of events.

We believe these easy changes will result in a simplified chartering process while providing more information so we can better assist our organizers. Please contact AMA Charter Coordinator, Joyce Helmick, at jhelmick@ama-cycle.org or 614.856.1920, extension 1241 if you have questions, concerns, or comments regarding 2009 charter applications.

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STICKY SITUATION, PART III

We continue to receive stickers for the AMA lobby refrigerator. Thanks to **AMA District 6, Southern California Motorcycling Association, Central Coast Racing, Lancaster Museum of Art Barnstorm Weekend,** and **Silent Bonez** for being stuck on the AMA and helping to keep us covered.

We still see white spaces. Keep sending them in!

COMPLIMENTS TO THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As previously noted, AMA District 6 located in PA, recently sent us refrigerator stickers. Included in the packet was information about a District 6 club, Lebanon Valley Motorcycle Club, celebrating their 60th Anniversary this year. As reported by their Anniversary booklet, when the club was organized in 1948 they had 40 members and dues were a whopping 25 cents per meeting. Currently they are 320 members strong. LVMC has been AMA Charter #1279 throughout their 60 year history, earning several awards for various achievements. Thanks to LVMC Secretary, Henrietta Steiner, for sharing the history of the club. CONGRATULATIONS on reaching this milestone. May the next 60 years prove as successful as the first 60.

If your club has reached a milestone or has a special accomplishment you'd like to share in *Organizer News*, please let Joyce Helmick know. You can e-mail Joyce at jhelmick@ama-cycle.org or call her at 614.856.1900, extension 1241.

AMA/ATVA MEMBERSHIPS PURCHASED WITH CREDIT CARD

We still need your help so we can to avoid double-billing AMA/ATVA members. A reminder to our Organizers not to process credit card payments accompanying AMA membership applications at your events. AMA processes these credit card payments when the applications are received at headquarters. When your organization runs these credit card applications as well, our members are double billed. Help us avoid this inconvenience to our members by following AMA guidelines and send only check or money order payment for those memberships not bearing credit card information. We appreciate your help.

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2008 AMA SERVICE AND SAFETY AWARDS

To all organizers who placed orders for 2008 Service and Safety Awards, they have been ordered and should be ready for distribution shortly after receipt of this *Newsletter*. The Awards were re-designed this year to allow you to customize them with the name of your recipients.

This on-going complimentary program is offered as a way for AMA to help you show your appreciation to those special folks in your organization who go the extra mile. Thanks to all who participated in the program for 2008.

Keep in mind that when your complimentary awards are ordered, you can also order additional awards at a minimal cost. Remember to check the June issue of *Organizer News* each year for the order form and instructions on how to take advantage of this complimentary program.

AMA RECREATIONAL RIDING

Greetings!

With three months left in 2008, I'm sure most of you are looking forward to next year's events. Well, so am I. This year has proven that quality events don't have much to be concerned with even when people tighten their belts due to higher travel costs. Most AMA Road Riding events stayed even or slightly improved upon 2007 attendance. Of course, not every meet – AMA-sanctioned or not – was a smashing success this year. Some local promoters are seeing participation fall as riders become more selective about which rallies and runs they will attend.

In fact, this selectivity and prioritization may be your "ace in the hole". AMA-sanctioned events are quality meets. AMA Organizers have to meet minimum criteria and put on rides that operate within AMA rules and guidelines. Riders preferring events, that have an AMA sanction may just be the one thing that makes them select your ride, run, or meet over the dozen or so others competing for their attention in your area.

We are finishing edits and changes to our Organizer's Guide and should have that available about the same time you receive this newsletter. In this guide, we lay out all the benefits at every level of sanction with the AMA. Take a close look at what is new for 2009 and please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like to consider raising your level of sanction into our Premier Touring Series.

Change is good, but I believe *improvement* is even better. My goal in the Riding Department is to provide improvements that add value to your AMA charter and sanction. As part of the promotion team for AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days, I know what services I find valuable from the association. I'd like to know what you find most valuable.

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I invite to tell me how the AMA can be more valuable to *you*, and look forward to hearing from you. Please drop me an email at dhembroff@ama-cycle.org if you have any suggestions, questions, or issues I can help with. If you have dual-sport or off-road recreational riding questions, contact Joey Funtjar, our Riding Coordinator at jfuntjar@ama-cycle.org.

Until I see you on the road...

RIDE ON --->



Dave Hembroff, AMA Riding Manager

AMA SPECIAL EVENTS

2009 AMA INTERNATIONAL WOMEN & MOTORCYCLING CONFERENCE IN COLORADO

The best women's motorcycling event is heading west in 2009 to one of the best riding areas in the United States.

The American Motorcyclist Association is pleased to announce that its Fifth International Women & Motorcycling Conference will take place at the Keystone Resort & Conference Center in Keystone, Colorado, on August 19-22, 2009.

Located approximately 90 minutes west of Denver, Keystone's state-of-the-art amenities and infrastructure, as well as its proximity to world-class motorcycling destinations within Colorado's Rocky Mountain region, are expected to substantially increase the stature of what has become internationally known as the premier women's motorcycling event. The selection of the Keystone site was the culmination of several months of research by the AMA and representatives of prominent women's motorcycling organizations.

The 2009 event will be the fifth AMA International Women & Motorcycling Conference. Previous conferences took place in 1997, 2000, 2002 and 2006. The AMA will continue to build upon the success of past conferences with the Keystone event, which will be the first Women & Motorcycling Conference held west of the Mississippi River.

The 2006 conference took place at the Classic Center in Athens, Georgia, and hosted more than 1,100 attendees who enjoyed a wide range of activities including seminars and panel discussions, a product vendor exposition, industry keynote speakers, motorcycle skills courses and workshops, guided rides, live entertainment; and catered meals. Industry support for the event was strong and included popular demo rides from manufacturers such as Harley-Davidson, BMW, Buell, Ducati, Honda, Kawasaki, Kymco, Ridley and Yamaha.

Registration cost for the Conference is \$195 per person. Call AMA Member Services at 1.800.AMA.JOIN. On-line registration will be available soon at www.womenandmotorcycling.com.

For sponsor or vendor information, call 614.856.1900, extension 1227. For Keystone lodging information, call 800.258.0437 and mention AMA Women's Conference group code CZOAMAW.

Visit the Keystone Resort website at www.keystoneconferences.com.

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ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE ASSOCIATION

2009 ATVA RIDE AMERICA TOUR

The ATVA would like to hear from organizers around the country who are interested in sanctioning off-road poker runs or trails rides. We would like to designate a number of events as part of the "ATVA Ride America Tour."

These events will receive special attention in *American Motorcyclist*, *ATVA News* and on the AMA and ATVA websites.

The idea is to create something special for the riders and promoters where participants would qualify for end-of-the-year prizes.

Reminder; off-road poker runs or trail rides do not require participants to be AMA or ATVA members.

If you have any questions at all about chartering as a Recreational Promoting Club or as a Promoter please e-mail Charter Coordinator, Joyce Helmick, at jhelmick@ama-cycle.org.

Call ATVA Director, Doug Morris, today at 866.288.2564 or contact him via e-mail at dmorris@atvaonline.com to discuss the possibilities.

MOTORCYCLE HALL OF FAME MUSEUM

2009 RAFFLE BIKE ANNOUNCED

The Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum has started selling tickets for its 2009 Raffle Bikes. Yes, that's right. 'Bikes'! This year the raffle will be for two Triumphs. The first is a restored 1959 Bonneville and the second, a 2009 50th Anniversary limited edition Bonneville. Proceeds from this pair of Triumphs will benefit your Museum.

The Museum sells tickets at many motorcycle events such as the International Motorcycle Shows and several vintage motorcycle events. That's where you come in. We need volunteers to staff these events, as well as others. If you would like to volunteer to help the Museum at an event, or if you're organizing (or attending) an event that we won't be present at and would like to sell raffle tickets there, please call Toni Severance at 614.256.2222, extension 1340 or e-mail her at tseverance@motorcyclemuseum.org.

You can purchase raffle tickets on our website at www.motorcyclemuseum.org or by telephone.

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LEATHER AND ICE REMINDER

Just a reminder, our 2008 Leather and Ice on-line Auction will open October 31, 2008. Be sure to log onto www.motorcyclemuseum.cmarket.com and see the more than 200 great items we're offering this year, such as riding gear, jewelry, artwork and memorabilia. We're also still accepting donated items and sponsorships for our auction, so contact Toni Severance for more information about that as well. Toni's contact information can be found in the preceding paragraph.

2008 AMA'S MOTORCYCLE HALL OF FAME MUSEUM INDUCTION CEREMONY & CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE MOTORCYCLE SHOW

You are invited to attend the 2008 AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum Induction Ceremony & Concours D'Elegance Motorcycle Show.

On Friday, October 10th, 2008 join us at the Museum Grounds, in Pickerington, OH for An Evening of Stars and Legends! Meet the Class of 2008 along with many notable Motorcycle Hall of Fame members at this festive evening reception from 5-8pm, featuring refreshments and entertainment. Tickets are \$59 per person with proceeds benefiting the AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum.

The AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum's Seventh Annual Concours d'Elegance will take place from 10am - 4pm on Saturday, October 11th, 2008 and will also be held at the Museum Grounds in Pickerington, Ohio. An awards ceremony will be held at 3 pm. Scheduled events and participants include autograph sessions with Motorcycle Hall of Famers, food and drink vendors, Museum tours and the Concours d'Elegance awards presentation.



The AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Ceremony 2008 will be held on Saturday, October 11, 2008 at the Hilton Polaris in Columbus, OH. The event begins with a cocktail reception at 6:00 pm. Then celebrate the Class of 2008 during the Motorcycle Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, starting at 7pm (semi-formal; coat and tie required). Cost is \$49 per person or \$500 for reserved table for 10 people. Reservations are required.

The 2008 Inductees are: Vaughn Beals, Rod Coates, Scot Harden, Larry "Supermouth" Huffman, Terry Poovey and Rolf Tibblin. Contact the AMA's Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum at 614.856.2222 or info@motorcyclemuseum.org for more information.

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2008-2009 IMS SHOW SCHEDULE
(AS PROVIDED BY ADVANSTAR – subject to change)

2008

Phoenix	10/31 - 11/2	Cardinals Stadium
Dallas	11/14 - 11/16	Dallas Convention Center
Houston	11/21 - 11/23	Reliant Center
Long Beach	12/5 – 12/7	Long Beach Convention Center
Seattle	12/12 – 12/14	Quest Field Event Center
San Mateo	12/19 – 12/21	San Mateo County Expo Center

2009

Novi MI	1/2- 1/4	Rock Financial Showplace
Washington DC	1/9 – 1/11	Washington Convention Center
New York	1/16 – 1/18	Jacob Javits Center
Cleveland	1/30 – 2/1	IX Center
Chicago	2/6 – 2/8	Donald E Stephens Convention Center
Minneapolis	2/13 – 2/15	Minneapolis Convention Center
Greenville, SC	2/20 – 2/22	Carolina First Center

For more information or to check for updates, please visit ADVANSTAR's website at <http://www.motorcycleshows.com/>.

AMA COMMUNICATIONS

ADVERTISING IN AMERICAN MOTORCYCLIST

With the 2008 racing season still in progress and the 2009 season approaching, the advertising staff wants to remind you that you can place an ad in *American Motorcyclist* magazine at more than 50 percent off the general rates. Congratulate a rider for a tremendous victory or publicize your upcoming event.

Contact Ray Monroe at 815.885.4445 or raymonroe@comcast.net to reserve space in an upcoming issue.

AMA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

“WASHINGTON DC RIDE INTO POLITICAL ACTION” SEMINAR

Are you tired of politicians not representing your views as a motorcyclist? Are you willing to do something about it?

Whether you're a veteran lobbyist or just a concerned motorcyclist who wants to be heard on Capitol Hill, the American Motorcyclist Association's "Washington, D.C. Ride Into Political Action" seminar is for you.

At this event, set for February 21-24, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill, you'll learn from the experts about the issues facing motorcyclists today. You'll also learn the ins and outs of working with members of Congress and federal agencies.

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration for the Washington, D.C. Ride into Political Action seminar is just \$99. To reserve your spot, visit <http://www.amadirectlink.com/legisltn/downloads/DCseminar.pdf> to download a registration form. You can return it by fax to 614.856.1920 or mail it to AMA – Attention: Sharon Smolinka - 13515 Yarmouth Drive – Pickerington, OH 43147. Call Sharon at 614.856.1900, extension 1252, for more information or to register by phone.

SEMINAR AGENDA

SATURDAY

The seminar kicks off in the evening with a brief nuts-and-bolts session for those who are new to lobbying. A "welcome" reception and orientation for all participants follows.

SUNDAY

Dive into the world of government and politics. Learn about state, federal and global issues, and the ongoing efforts of motorcyclists to influence your issues on Capitol Hill.

MONDAY

The seminar moves into high gear. Discussions focus on building relationships with lawmakers, officials, and working with federal agencies. A special guest will be on hand for lunch. The day's discussions wrap up with how to deliver your message to congressional offices. Dinner follows.

TUESDAY

This is the payoff day when you put your new skills into practice. After a brief refresher session, you head off to talk with members of your own congressional delegation. Then you take part in a debriefing session, before learning how to strengthen lobbying efforts in your own state.

MOTORCYCLES AND MUSIC

Now it's time for a little fun! Tune up your mind by taking this little quiz that links motorcycling to music. Match the partial lyrics to each song title and artist who performed the song.

LYRICS

SONG TITLES AND ARTIST

It's not a big motorcycle
Just a groovy little motorbike
It's more fun than a barrel of monkeys
That two wheel bike

Jolly Choppers on Parade by Randy Newman

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I got my first motorcycle when I turned sixteen  
I remember my mama raisin cane with me  
She said, "Son, tell me why you want to ride that thing"  
She didn't know about the blonde at the dairy queen

Motorcycle Mystics by Eurythmics

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Can't you hear it baby
Like thunder I know
Like the magic and the passion
Of rock and roll
It's like a Harley motorcycle baby
Raging out of control

They All Went to Mexico by Santana

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"Hey, Betty? Is that Jimmy's ring you're wearing?"  
"Uh huh."  
"Oh! Must be nice riding on that motorcycle after school, huh?"  
"Uh huh."

Dangerous by Doobie Brothers

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Here come the black-and-whites
Here come the motorcycles
Listen to those engines roar

Little Honda by Beach Boys

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Where's December's happy crew  
With German bikes and sidecars too  
They take the truck south to St. Louis, MO

Motorcycle Mama by Neil Young

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Ridin' through the rain
On a shimmering street
Buddah on the back seat
Electroglide elite
Spinning through the city
In a fat boy trance

Leader of the Pack by Bette Midler

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I'm runnin', I'm runnin', I'm runnin'  
Down the proud highway  
Yeah, I'm runnin', I'm runnin', I'm runnin'  
Down the proud highway  
As long as I keep movin'  
I won't need a place to stay

She Likes it Too by Alan Jackson