COMING EVENTS

- August 30-September 9, Wild West Tour Denver to Grand Canyon to Utah Canyonlands and back to Denver with IFMR-AGS riders. For more details, 'meet & greet', etc., contact Christoph Schwartz (cjschwarz@gmx.de)
- September 19-21, IFMR Mid-Continent Fall Ride, Galena, IL. For more details, contact Tim Cudd (dg2012-13@gmail.com).
- September 22-27, “District Governor's Ride & Annual Sierra Safari”, Bishop, CA. If you like fun, fellowship, and great riding, don't miss this opportunity. For more information, go to http://motorcycles.lyster.com/trips/Governor/ or contact Ron Lyster (ron@lyster.com).
- September 25-28, IFMR Fall Foliage Ride, Lake George, NY. Fantastic fall colors in the Adirondack Mountains. Make reservations at America's Best Value Inn (800-795-6680, IFMR rate of $99.95 + 15% tax) For more details see attached flyer or contact Ride Guide Myron Fox (myronfox@yahoo.com)

For info on domestic and international IFMR rides, also check www.IFMR-NA.org and www.IFMR.org. If you plan an IFMR event in your area, send information about it to newsletter editor bob@shriners.com and to webmaster Chris Jones at webmaster@ifmr-na.org

New Membership Info Shows Continuing Fellowship Growth

IFMR-NA Membership Director Jean Dores has just finished updating the roster of active IFMR-NA members. A copy of the updated membership directory with contact information is attached, listed both alphabetically and by state of residence.

The listing by state makes it easier for members to locate other members in their area to get acquainted, organize rides, and plan other local fellowship events.

The new data also provides an opportunity to see changes in the size and scope of IFMR-NA membership. Total membership has now grown to 236 members scattered across the US, Canada, and Mexico, up slightly from June 2013. During the past 12 months 22 new members have been added, including 14 who have joined since January 1.. That's a somewhat slower pace than the previous 12 months which saw 31 new members added to the group.

The addition of new members is partially offset by losses as some 5-10 percent leave each year due to advancing age, retirement, medical problems, changes in interest and personal circumstances, and various other factors. Thus, continuing effort is needed to spread the word and recruit new members to the IFMR fellowship, just as local Rotary clubs must continually work to find and recruit new members to fill the shoes of those who have left.

(Also see list of newest members on page 3)
Notes . . . from the Top

by IFMR-NA President Tim Cudd

Thankfully summer is here and while the rain hasn’t stopped at least it’s slowed down a little. I hope everyone is getting the opportunity to put some miles on. I know that some of you have already made a few trips and have plans to do more this riding season. Our members are always working on various rides and events and this year is no exception. Interested in a trip out west? Try the District Governor’s Ride (aka the Sierra Safari), September 26-27. The ride website http://motorcycles.lyster.com/trips/Governor/ will have everything you need to know about the event. And the Flying Rotarians will also be at this event. All Rotarians and guests are welcome!

How about a four-day weekend in the Adirondacks in New York around scenic Lake George for the IFMR Fall Foliage Ride in late September? Check the flyer attached with this newsletter for more details on this exciting event, then plan to attend. Or join me and other Mid-Continent riders at Galena, IL, in mid-September for some great riding in scenic NW Illinois and Wisconsin. I’ll hope to see you there!

Don’t forget that membership renewals are due on July 1st. Those can be renewed online at our IFMR-NA website as well. Have you taken a look at the merchandise page lately? Lots of good stuff there! Let us know if you have suggestions or items that you would like to see included. We are happy to look into it and see what is available.

Do you have members of your club or friends that might be interested in IFMR? Have you talked to your District Governor and asked him or her to help you spread the word about our organization? If not I would encourage you to ask that favor. While most folks are aware of the Rotary Fellowships, most don’t have any information or know how to join. Help us spread the word in your corner of the world.

As always, thank you for your support. We are here to serve you and look forward to helping in any way we can. Be safe and I look forward to seeing you on the road.

Leticia Parra: "We're THIS CLOSE!"
Welcome New IFMR Members

Since the previous update of the IFMR-NA roster was distributed last December, 14 new members have joined the fellowship. Here are their names and where they are located:

Wynne Benti, Bishop, CA
Ronald Mead, Santa Margarita, CA
Franco Batzel, Weston, FL
Ted Richardson, Cumming, GA
Brett Whitworth, Mount Airy, MD
Wayne Koppa, Grayling, MI
Gaurav Gupta, Uniondale, NY
Timothy Shear, Worthington, OH
Trevor Donaldson, Powell, OH
Brian Hester, Winchester, VA
Todd Rizzo, Haymarket, VA
Kathy Armentrout, Harrisonburg, VA
Katie Mann, Ashburn, VA
Timothy Mulcrone, St Croix Falls, WI

You can find their detailed contact information in the updated member directory that accompanies this issue of the newsletter. If they live near you, look up their contact info and give them a call to get acquainted -- or send them an email welcoming them to IFMR -- and invite them to get together soon for a ride or other event. That's IFMR fellowship!

NOTE TO EXISTING IFMR MEMBERS: It's time to pay your annual IFMR dues again, please go to www.ifrm-na.org, update your member info, and pay your dues by credit card. DO IT NOW! Don't be left out! We don't want to lose you.

Pictures from the Past

Vangellows and Brandts ready to roll

Backroad Bob crossing Beaverdam Creek

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