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*Stan Myers*

demonstrate and protest openly in their own streets.

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It is 8:30 p.m. on May 28th as I write this and Memorial Day 2007 has but three and one-half hours to expiration. I hope every southern California Harley rider enjoyed the holiday, flew the flag and, most important of all, took some time to reflect upon the meaning of this annual commemoration. We can and should take special pride that we, as a nation, have never failed to step up to the plate in the cause of freedom. Such special pride comes with a steep price, though.

That price is the ultimate sacrifices made by so many of our fine young men and women. It is their sacrifices and their memory that we honor on this holiday and throughout the year, and sadly those kinds of sacrifices continue at this moment. When I read in the newspapers about some groups of misguided people in places like France, Germany, the Benelux countries, Spain, *etc.*, demonstrating against our great country I know (let me repeat, I KNOW) that those protesters have chosen to overlook the fact that the soil of their country is soaked with American blood; the blood that bought them the freedom to

On this holiday and for eternity may our valiant war dead rest peacefully - they are forever young.

By the time this message is read the 2007 Relay for Life sponsored by the American Cancer Society will be history. I am planning to attend on Sunday, June 3rd, when I will register and drag my sorry old ass around the track for three or four laps. I sincerely hope many of my fellow SCHRA members do likewise. ACS is our charity and a superbly worthwhile one it is!

I also want to encourage maximum attendance at our June 14th (Flag Day) General Meeting. Our newly re-joined member, Dave Malin, has recently returned from a tour of duty in Iraq and will be speaking about his experiences and impressions. Dave is a Captain in the U.S. Army Reserve. You won't want to miss this meeting. As an added bonus we finally have our memorial patches for Whitey and Julie. Any member who wants to sew them on his or her jacket or vest is welcome to them, free of charge. We will have them available at the meeting.

# From the Editor

Linda Marks

As you may be aware, due to a recent little SNAFU I was unable to print hard copies of the May 2007 *Rolling Thunder* for snail mail circulation. Thankfully James posted the May issue to the SCHRA website. Of course, the brighter (and socially responsible [read *green*]) of our SCHRA members have been on the *Rolling Thunder* e-mail subscription list for a couple of years now.

If you are not on the e-mail subscription list and would like to play a role in securing a healthier planet for yourself and your progeny, just shoot an e-mail to [editor@schra.org](mailto:editor@schra.org) and I'll add you to the list.

In case it never occurred to you, the toner used to print *Rolling Thunder* is toxic waste. It is a bio-hazard. This is why spent toner cartridges are not to be placed into the trash where they will eventually find their way to a landfill and poison your groundwater and every living thing dependent on water.

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Fossil fuels - yep, that stuff you are so threatened by your utter dependence on Arab nations to supply - runs the saws that fell the trees for your paper, the bulldozers and huge trucks to move and transport the trees, the electricity to mill the trees, and finally the U. S.

Postal Service vehicles that deliver *Rolling Thunder* to your mailbox.

Those huge trucks and USPS vehicles add to the already unbearable traffic you find not only on your daily errands or commutes, but also on what would otherwise be a peaceful mountain road when riding your Harley. And those same vehicles make the already unhealthy air you breathe even more dangerous with their exhaust.

If you think that one person, or even a small group of people like the SCHRA membership, can't make a difference, think again. One person here, another person there, and someone else somewhere else, eventually add up to a few people refusing to condone and promote unethical behavior. By setting a good example for others, that little group of a few turns into a group of many, and that group of many snowballs into a large group that snowballs into a huge group. Before you know it a productive mindset is established. And to think, it all started with just one person here, another there, and someone else somewhere else.

Those who truly believe in freedom understand that real freedom is liberation from oppression of the earth's resources by oil cartels, logging companies and other profit-mongers whose agenda deliberately omits your health, the planet's health, and anything resembling ethical or responsible behavior. "We've got to pause and ask ourselves: How much clean air do we need?" — Lee Iacocca. Mr. Iacocca's question provides a perfect example of the aphorism, "If you don't understand, no explanation is possible. If you do understand, no explanation is necessary."

# Save These Dates!

**June 10:** Rip's Bad Ride. Poker run to fight diabetes. Vendors, bands, food, *etc.* Details later.

**June 23 - 25:** Fifth Annual Kotler Ranch Run. Always a SCHRA favorite. See p. 4 for all how to get a room.

**July 6 - 8:** historical world famous Hollister run. Not an official SCHRA ride however if you would like to ride with other SCHRA members write to

editor@schra.org and the *Extra Wind* column will hook you all up together.

**July 14 - 16:** overnighiter to Cambria with a post-rally Hollister visit. Get the best of all worlds: Hollister and Gilroy with much better rates and no crowds plus cool ocean breezes at Cambria.

**July 21:** SCHRA 16th anniversary party at Mitch Pullman's house. Details to come.

**September 14 - 17:** Bryce Canyon and Zion National Park.

**October 20 - 22:** Yosemite!

## WEATHER WARNING:

**WHEN YOU SEE THIS ON YOUR WAY OUT THE DOOR IN THE MORNING,  
go back in and have another cup of coffee.  
It is probably not going to be a good day.**



# 2007 Ride Schedule

t/b/a	<b>Poker Run: Rip's Bad Ride</b>	Sun Jun 10
<b>Fifth Annual Kotler Ranch Run</b>		
Denny's Roxford, 8a, Mike L.		Sat Jun 23 - Mon Jun 25
<b>Overnighter to Cambria and Hollister</b>		
t/b/a, James P.		Sat Jul 14 - Mon July 16
<b>SCHRA 16th Anniversary Party</b>		
Mitch Pullman's house		Sat Jul 21
<b>Overnighter to Bryce and Zion</b>		
t/b/a		Fri Sep 14 - Mon Sep 17
<b>Overnighter to Yosemite</b>		
t/b/a, Janet P.		Sat Sep 20 - Mon Sep 22
<b>Stay Tuned</b>		
for		
<b>Upcoming Rides</b>		

# Extra Wind

Anyone looking for riding buddies or a group discount hotel rate on a planned ride *not* on SCHRA's 2007 Ride Schedule can network here by e-mailing the date and destination to editor@schra.org so other members can hook up with you. **These rides are not meant to compete with SCHRA rides** and, because these rides are **not** sanctioned SCHRA rides, there may **never** be a SCHRA Road Captain on any of them. However, if your calendar prevents you from attending all the SCHRA rides as scheduled, or you just need more wind in the face than the SCHRA 2007 Ride Schedule provides, then look here every month, and by all means feel free to submit whatever scheduled or "any time" itineraries your bike screams at you to take!

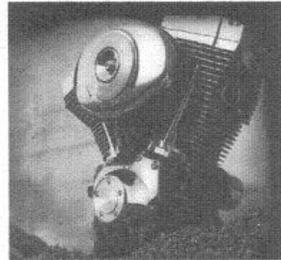
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\* These rides may end up on the SCHRA 2007 Ride Schedule later in the year - then again, maybe not.

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4578 Van Nuys Blvd, Sherman Oaks

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**Please welcome new members:**

no new members to report

**Please note the following new e-mail address:**

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**Please note the following new address/telephone:**

no new address/telephone changes to report

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Be sure to contact [editor@schra.org](mailto:editor@schra.org) if any of your contact information changes.

## **Important Reminder:**

**Escape the June gloom.  
Come to the June meeting!**

### ***Next Meeting:***

**7:00 pm - Thursday, June 14th, 2007**

**Four 'n' 20 Pies**

**5530 Van Nuys Blvd. Sherman Oaks**

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