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## 2009 DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>January 9-11</b>	<b>State Conference</b>
ALR State Chapter Meeting	Sat, 1PM
<b>April 3-5</b>	<b>Spring Conference</b>
ALR State Chapter Meeting	Sat, 1PM
<b>May 10</b>	<b>Mothers Day</b>
<b>May 16</b>	<b>Armed Forces Day</b>
<b>May 25</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>
<b>June 14</b>	<b>Flag Day</b>
<b>Closing of Legion, ALR Books</b>	
<b>June 26-28</b>	<b>State Rally</b>
Jonesboro	
<b>June 21</b>	<b>Fathers Day</b>
<b>July 9-12</b>	<b>Department Convention</b>
<b>July 17</b>	<b>National Romp</b>
Willard Ohio	
<b>August 21-27</b>	<b>91<sup>st</sup> Legion National Convention</b>
Louisville KY	

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# Indiana State News



RIDERS RESPONSE

WE YOUR AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS,  
 RIDE FOR GOD & COUNTRY, THE  
 AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY & ALLIED  
 VETERANS EVERYWHERE. PROTECT  
 THOSE THAT PROTECT US.

AMEN



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## STATE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

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I would like to wish all American Legion Riders a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year may it be a safe holiday. While its time to plan all of your events for next year. Before you know it spring will be here.

I hope next year will be another growing year for the riders and the legions. We have another chapter, that sign on in October which places us at 66 for the close of 08. We have some ideas that should help our organization run smoother. And with the help of Mike Miller, internal affairs representative for the legion and our go to man, we hope to bring the Legion and riders closer.

Our first meeting for 09 is in January,2009. It will be the second weekend of the month and schedule at 1 PM. At the meeting we will install new officers, discuss the state rally, and several new issues for the riders will be facing in 2009. I would like this first meeting to be ALCOHOL free. So am requesting that we not bring any alcohol to our general meeting.

So this everyone has a safe and happy holiday this season.

Thanks for your support and help.

TJ Small

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**Indiana ALR State Director 2009**

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## FINANCE/ MEMBERSHIP

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When paying your chapter dues please indicate which year it is for. All correspondence include Post # and Name. Also, remember I have a new address:

Mike Fathman

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Lafayette, IN 47909

**Mike Fathman**

**Finance/Membership 2009**

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## SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

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### PROPER MEETING PROTOCOL

When leaving and returning to a meeting you should move quietly to the end of the row, approach the flag, salute the flag, and leave the room. Return by approaching the flag, salute and return quietly to your seat.

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## ASSISTANT STATE DIRECTOR

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I would like to thank all of our members for a good year and all of our 2008 state officers for doing a good job working together on the many issues that we faced. We are still having growing pains and those pains will continue for years to come, but we are gaining at a rapid pace and we all need to keep working together. If any of you have issues that need addressed, e-mail your questions to both TJ and I and one of us will get back to you. Lets make 2009 a great year and set a foundation for years to come.

**Mark "Goose" Gosney**

**Indiana State Assistant Director**

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## SECRETARY'S NOTES

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Please remember to make copies of this newsletter to pass onto your Chapter Members. The draft of the October Conference Meeting minutes, Roll Call with each Chapters meeting time are included. If any of the information is incorrect please contact me at the address on this newsletter or kimdtz@yahoo.com.

**Kimy Dietz**

**State Secretary 2009**

**Submit information for the Newsletters at:  
[kimdtz@yahoo.com](mailto:kimdtz@yahoo.com)**

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### NEW CHAPTERS WELCOME!

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The Indiana State ALR would like to welcome our newest Chapters into the fold of the American Legion Riders and American Legion Family.

Chapter	6	Kokomo
Chapter	86	Kendallville
Chapter	100	Lake Station
Chapter	103	Mooreville
Chapter	353	Farmland
Chapter	403	Wanah

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## COMMUNICATIONS

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The new website is nearing 7,000 hits; we're being well represented in a professional and appealing medium. I would like to make sure that I'm not missing any ALR members that are no longer with us and ask all of you to remember who they are and let me know so that I can add them to our 'In Memory Of' page. I need their name, branch of service unless they were Aux or SAL. I also need to know what year we lost them. Please start submitting your upcoming events for the coming year to our 'Events' section so that chapters all over Indiana will know about them and may choose to participate.

I would like every communications officer in Indiana to get a hold of me either by email or phone as soon as possible to set up a communications channel. Email address and phone number listed below.

I send out regular ride emails with every ride found in the state to over a thousand riders, I include ALR rides as well. If I get an ALR only ride, I send it out to ALR only. Our presence at these other rides is important as well. It helps get exposure for the ALR and helps build membership at the same time.

**Rick Haberman**

**Communications Director 2009**

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## HISTORICAL BOOK

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If anyone would like to submit any pictures for the 2008 state historian book please have them e-mail me at [Dnascar29@aol.com](mailto:Dnascar29@aol.com) and I can give them my home address to send the pictures so I may add them to the book. Thank you to all that have submitted pictures to me so far.

Ride safe brothers and sisters!

**Deb Miler**

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