January 7th, 1 p.m. Paw Paw eagles, region 12 minutes

Tim G. leads in the Pledge of Allegiance. Joy G. followed with the treasurer report. Legislative report. Gary G. says Lansing mainly quiet over the holidays. Bear and Eric brought up a couple items from the MRF. Apparently the EPA is backing down on the percentage of ethanol in gas, from 15% to 10%, which is at least a step in the right direction. MRF says that motorcycles are still not being recognized in any government literature pertaining to "driverless automobiles", It is their thought that the government would like to get motorcycles off the road roughly within the next 15 years. More info from MRF about senate motorcycle caucus, being chaired by our Gary Peters, profiling bills being carried over into the new year, and online petitions at the MRF website. Please take a minute and look it up. They are our number one voice nationally and could use all our support. At future region 12 meetings, a laptop will be set up, on the MRF website to view, or check out online petitions if you wish.. We discussed our region membership, and what steps we can take to sign new members up in our region. A contest was proposed, but tabled for future discussion. We discussed setting more booths up in our area at events that have a large motorcycle attendance..

We discussed the upcoming seminar. Apparently expecting a nice turnout from our region.. Melissa M. is planning on attending the all region meeting in Taylor in February. If interested in attending, please contact her or myself for more information. Our April meeting will be moved to APRIL 8th, from April 1st due to Easter on that Sunday, still at the Paw Paw Eagles, at 1 p.m. The September meeting will also be juggled, but not sure where and when at this moment. After foggy memory from me, and awesome recall from Hank, who, unlike me, is still sharp as a tack, Lindys in Cassopolis is the facility we are thinking about. Watch for more info.

We will have booths at the Wings Swap Meet in Kalamazoo on Sunday, March 18th, and at Centreville fairgrounds antique motorcycle meet on Sunday, May 20th. Joy and Gary, and Roxy and Jack have stepped up to help. Feel free to give us a hand..

Our poker run is penciled in on Saturday, June 23rd. It will begin and end at Paw Paw Eagles in Lawton. More details to follow.

We had a group discussion on other types of gatherings and ways to generate more money for the state fund. A Casino bus trip is being discussed, and a Christmas Party is also in the works for Saturday, December 15th.. more information will be forwarded as the details get hammered out, Going to have a PAC fund poker run also later this year. Working on plans for that too. Going to be a busy, fun year in our region. Come join us when you can!

We received thank you's from the families that our region helped out over the holidays this year. Our efforts were very appreciated by all, and thank you to everyone that contributed to the cause. Your help brightened the holidays for alot of people this year. Thanks again. Okay, Mike H... Well, I love seeing you at our meeting when you get the opportunity to attend, but honestly, kinda glad you missed last months meeting. Sure made the incentive that Diane won really nice!! Thanks Mike.. respectfully submitted, Terry, R.C