SOUL SMOKE NEWS LETTER

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Did you know...

- In Idaho Falls, Idaho, it is illegal for anyone over 88 years old to ride a motorcycle.
- It's illegal to have sex on a parked motorcycle in London, UK...what about driving?

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THE LOVE BOAT

I need to state right off, Welcome Aboard! No one could have asked for more cheer than was shown by all at the 15th Anniversary party held March 15, 2008. You could feel the excitement build as we met one another in the parking lot and it continued to grow from there. Some came pre-cheered, and a few sails were hoisted at the hospitality suite prior to boarding. The overflowing from the hospitality suite met out in the hallway, and was not any less cheerful. This set the theme for the evening of overflowing love and respect for the Iron Souls family. Not seeing the photos taken by Roadrunner as we passed down the gangplank, I cannot imagine anyone not having a Cheshire cat smile on their face.

I wonder if the original 21had any idea of how many lives they would touch in so many positive ways. I wonder if they could have foreseen a 15 year celebration of excellence. How could anyone foresee it though, the elegance as viewed by all entering the dining room of the Hornblower yacht. Everything was



A beautiful evening setting out from the Berkeley marina.

ready for us. The table settings properly appointed right down to the commemorative champaign glasses. The dance floor was at the ready along with the DJ at one end of the room, and at the other to welcome us aboard was the bartender's open bar. Before we knew it, we were all setting down from the buffet tables with some fine food and libation. Continued on page 3. Photo below courtesy of Roadrunner.



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The dance floor filled up as our dinner plates emptied. Our drinks were freshened up, but not quite as fresh as some of the dance moves seen that night. Dancing ran from many ends of the spectrum...from the jerk, happy dancing, dirty dancing...to pole dancing. No move was too wild or out of place. Even Bo-Dean was singled out at one point by a crowd member, who shouted that someone had been practicing. "We know who has been giving him tips."

Bernice Kirtman was seen pointing the way during the group line dance, helping those of us whose sails were set prior to cast off, as well as any inexperienced dance party goers. The program to honor and celebrate several of our members found our club president, Tree, keeping true to his word with the speeches to a minimum, yet still powerful and well done. The Iron Souls 15 years of excellence inspired a poem presented by Tree, as follows on the next page.



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THE LOVE BOAT (CONT. FROM PG. 3)

15 Years of Excellence!

15 Years of Excellence 1993 through 2008 In 15 Years of Excellence We have determined to be great!

15 Years of Excellence The Original 21 they came to be In 15 Years of Excellence We are now 2 plus 53.

Creed.

less and hungry.



15 Years of Excellence
Harley Davidson Motorcycles have been our only steed
In 15 Years of Excellence
Brotherhood/Respect/Unity we lived our everlasting

15 Years of Excellence
 Giving back to our community our purpose was to be
 In 15 Years of Excellence
 To a Mother who is Wright we helped her feed God's home-



15 Years of Excellence Lend-A-Hand, a charity, was adopted by you In 15 Years of Excellence The Iron Souls' Little League Team we've outfitted them too!

15 Years of ExcellenceOur legacy and chargeIn 15 Years of ExcellenceWe got your bikes out of the garage.

I5 Years of Excellence
What will our future bring?
With I5 More Years of Excellence
I see an evolutionary and beautiful thing!



15 Years of Excellence
So we honor you tonight, My Brothers of the Souls
Our 15 Years of Excellence
Were something to behold!
So celebrate tonight, Iron Souls, My Brothers
Let's dance, drink, party and sing
15 Years of Excellence
We appreciate...we celebrate...and we honor our very being!

~Poem by Ward Roundtree (Tree)~

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THE LOVE BOAT (CONT. FROM PG. 4)

Tree also presented several Iron Thunder awards, one to Breakaway for his work in getting the \$20,000 grant for the Mother Wright Foundation, one to Nas-D for his work in the Lend-A-Hand Foundation, one to X-Man for the work done his first year with the Mother Wright community, and another to T.C. for selling the most tickets in support of Mother Wright two years running. A special award was also given to Bo-Dean by Tree for his outstanding work as editor of the ISMC, bringing the newsletter back from the dead while also maintaining his post as Keeper. The past year of issues were put together and all members present signed the back of the cover.

Michael Robles-Wong (Iron Butt) gave another eloquent speech as he presented the Coup and Blood Feathers. One blood feather went to Bassman as a "Bridge-No Tag", and another went to Heavy K as "Shiko-Thunder". A coup feather went to K.C., a half feather named "She Was Right". For those of you not at this grand affair, it is well worth asking the patch holders about the meaning for their new vest acquisitions.





