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## Schedule of Events

**NOTE:** Board of Directors (B.O.D.) meetings are open to all members. When held at a chapter members home, please notify the host ahead of time.

**Dec 14 (Wed) – B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm** - Dave & Cheryl Rademacher's 10642 Madison St NE Blaine, MN 763-755-8520 - *Non Board Members Please RSVP in Advance*

**Dec 28 (Wed) - Natl. Meet Planning Committee Mtg. 7:00 pm** - John's Pizza Cafe 622 Como Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55105 (651) 488-1922

**Jan 7 (Sat) – Viking Chapter Holiday Party 4:30-9:00 pm** Roseville Community Center 2661 Civic Center Drive Roseville, MN (651) 792-7000

**Jan 25 (Wed) - Natl. Meet Planning Committee Mtg. 7:00 pm** - Dulano's Pizza 607 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, MN 55408 (612) 827-1726

**Feb 3-5 (Fri-Sun) - International Motorcycle Show (IMS)** Minneapolis Convention Center 1301 2nd Ave S. Mpls (612) 335-6000

**Feb 8 (Wed) - B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm**  
Ron & Kath Spargo's 8399 Bavaria Rd Victoria, MN 55286 (952) 443-2020 - *Non Board Members Please RSVP in Advance*

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## Viking Chapter

# RE-CYCLE

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## RADEMACHER'S RAMBLINGS

by Dave Rademacher

Well the year is almost over along with my term. We have had many good times this past year and I would like to thank everyone that helped in any way. Weather it was working the National Meet, our Fall swap meet, the Bike auction, coming on a ride or making the monthly meetings . Any time we see you it lets us know that you are supporting our Club. If not for your help and participation we would have no club.

This coming year we will have a changing board along with our President. It's good to see some new members come aboard and get their feet wet in the workings of the Club.

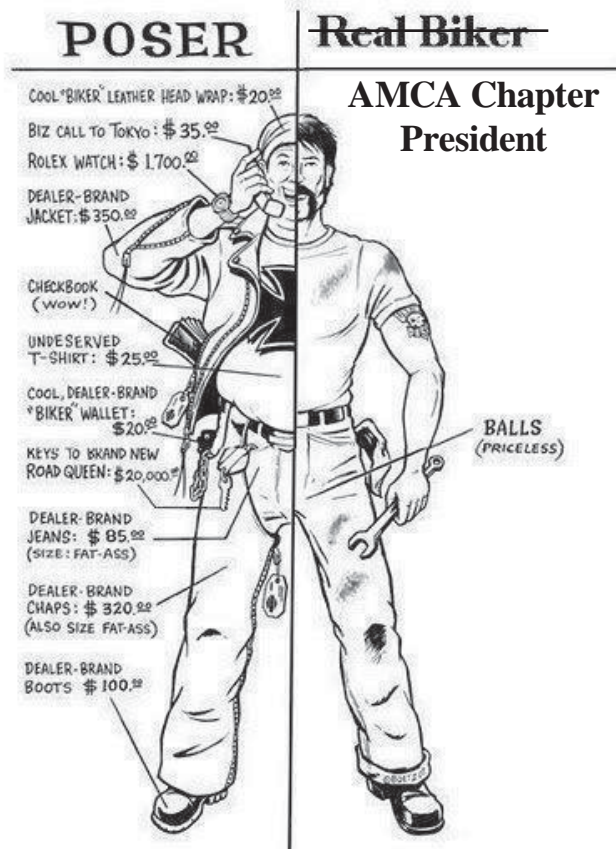
As you will see there will be some changes this coming year. Some due to budget and others due to catching up with the times.

I would like to thank everyone on the board for all the hours they put in and their work making this year as great as it was. If it was not for them many events would not have happened and they would not have run as smooth as they did. Just talking with the new board and President I can see already that this coming year is going to be even better than the last.

I hope I will see as many of you as possible at our Holiday party Jan 7th (please see website for further info or check your email)

In closing thank you again for making the Viking Chapter the great club that it is. Remember if it wasn't for you we would have no Club

Signing off...



## Editors Note(s)

Brrrrr... Time to turn up the heat in the Shop and get to work on those Winter projects. Take photos and notes on what you're up to as I'm sure fellow club members will want to see and read all about your misadventures in future Re-Cycle issues (that's a HINT).

Not to worry, the Viking Chapter is still busy during the "Off-Season" with the annual Holiday Party, major club displays at the IMS and Donnie Smith shows, and planning activities for what should prove to be the biggest and best Viking Chapter National Meet ever in June of 2012. Be there!

This issue of the Re-Cycle should have included a personalized 2012 Viking Chapter Membership Renewal Form. Verify that all the information on the form is correct, add your Natl. Membership renewal date, write a check for a measly \$12 and send it all back to our Membership Chair Kathi Rimnic. Easy as Pie...

As always, THANK YOU to all the members that contributed content for this issue and to everyone...

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

## Schedule of Events (continued)

**Feb 15 (Wed) – February General Meeting 7:00 pm** - Indian Motorcycle of the Twin Cities 2967 Hudson Road St. Paul, MN (651) 765-9988

**Feb 29 (Wed) - Natl. Meet Planning Committee Mtg. 7:00 pm** - John's Pizza Cafe 622 Como Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55105 (651) 488-1922

**Mar 7 (Wed) – B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm - Taste of Scandinavia (Festival Foods)** 401 West 98th Street Bloomington, MN (952) 358-7490

**Mar 16 (Wed) – March General Meeting 7:00 pm - Jack Crane Museum** 1301 East Cliff Road Burnsville, MN (952)-212-8126

**Mar 24-25 (Sat-Sun) - 24th Annual Dennis Kirk/Donnie Smith Bike Show and Parts Extravaganza** - RiverCentre St Paul, MN

*Check out the NEW Events Calendar at [vikingmc.org](http://vikingmc.org)*

## British Bikes on Display

Long time Viking Chapter Member Jack Crane is offering to open the doors to his outstanding display of British motorcycles at his private museum in Burnsville, MN. Call and schedule a free private showing for your family and friends in this warm and bright environment on a cold and dark winter day or evening. Trust me, you won't be disappointed. For more information contact Jack Crane at 952-927-8126.

## Wings and Wheels Ride 2011

Simply too much fun. The new venue (Osseola Airport) seemed to work out well for all Cars, Books, and Aircraft. Thanks Kerry and Sue for hosting the ride launch and for providing a great backdrop for the group photo.



## Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Twenty-four hard-working Viking Members met at the Old Country Buffet in Richfield on November 2nd to gab between trips to the buffet.



## Fall Mystery Ride 2011

What a perfect day it was for a ride with fellow club members. Once again Rick Wyatt laid out a great course that ended with really good food and drink in Nowthen, MN.

Riders in attendance:

- Ivar Natins = 1946 Indian Chief
- Steven Solnitzky = 1947 Indian Chief
- Stan Mewhorter = 1971 Triumph TR6R
- Tim O'keeffee = 1977 BMW R100S
- Gary Kloss = 1977 Yamaha XS650
- Bob Hopf = 1998 Harley
- Rick Wyatt = 2001 Kawasaki W650
- Paul & Doris St.John = 2009 Harley Ultra
- Jerry & Trudi Richards = 2009 Harley Road King



## In the Spirit of Giving

Our club is always looking for ways to give back to our community. Over the years, we've given to a variety of charities both motorcycle related and other. Do you want to help with choosing the next charitable organization for our club to team up with? The right charity will help bring greater visibility to our events while giving us the chance to help improve the lives of those around us. We're kicking around the idea of having a raffle at our National Meet and looking for an organization that would help get the word out about our event. A charitable partner would have broad public appeal and wouldn't necessarily have to be related to motorcycles. For example, the Disabled American Veterans or Courage Center. If you've got ideas or contacts and would like to help gather information to present to the general membership, get a hold of Sean O'Neil at moneil2@comcast.net or 612-870-0766.

## FALL 2011 MidAmerica Auction

*submitted by Trudi Johnson-Richards*

Viking Chapter members volunteered at the MidAmerica 25th Annual Twin Cities Fall Classic Auction on October 15 at the State Fairgrounds Grandstand in St Paul. Members handled vintage motorcycles for sale: Ron Bohm, Tom Broich, Dave Flory, Bob Hopf, Paul Joswick, Tom Kenny and grandson, Tommy Knach, Stan Mewhorter, Dena Natins, Ivar Natins, Sean O'Neil, Jim Petsch, Jerry Richards, Roger Rimnac, and Steven Solnitsky. Kathi Rimnac and Trudi Johnson-Richards manned the membership table. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this auction a social and fun success.

# Now Find the Viking Chapter on Facebook!



## HELP WANTED

### (NO PAY but great benefits)

*by incoming Chapter President Ron Spargo*

As we all know, this club would not exist without its volunteers. Every club officer is a volunteer – every club meeting, show, swap meet and other club function can only happen with volunteer help.

The Viking Chapter has the largest membership of any individual chapter in the AMCA. So why is it that we still see the same folks volunteering to staff and run club events year after year? Our membership roster includes folks from the far reaches of the state and even a few out of state members. It is understandable that we don't see these members very often but that leaves many folks in the 7 county metro area who we would like to see more often but don't.

The point here is that in order for this club to continue to grow and prosper we need more folks to show up, raise their hand and get involved. Come to a meeting and see first hand what's going on and what volunteer opportunities may be right for you.

We realize that not everyone is available for all club activities which is why we need you. Try it! You will be surprised by how much fun it is, the great folks you will meet and the satisfaction you get from knowing you are helping make your club even better.

We'll look for you at the next meeting. Thanks for your help.

## Davenport Ride 2011

A picture speaks a thousand words... Nuff said.



## 2012 International Motorcycle Show

The 2012 International Motorcycle Show (IMS) will be in Minneapolis at the Minneapolis Convention Center on February 3rd, 4th and 5th. This is the same show that used to be known as the Cycle World Show. It is now sponsored by Progressive Insurance.

The Viking Chapter has displayed bikes at this show for several years and according to the promoter, based on feedback from attendees, our display is one of their favorite attractions.

For the 2012 show the Viking chapter has been given 50% more space than we have had in past years. What this means is that we need additional bikes to display.

If you have a bike that has not previously been displayed at this event now is your chance to show off your pride and joy. Your bike does not need to be a show bike but it must meet the following requirements:

- Any make or model at least 35 years old. (1976 or older)
- It must be as complete as possible. (No major missing components)
- It must be clean.

The person displaying the motorcycle must be a current National AMCA member as well as a current Viking Chapter member.

We are also looking for folks to meet and greet the show attendees, answer questions about the bikes and to help promote the club and our future events.

Anyone who volunteers to display a bike or wants to work a 4 hour shift will receive a free weekend pass to the show.

For more information on how to display your bike or to volunteer your time please call Ron Spargo @ 952-443-2020 or e-mail at [ronspargo@mindspring.com](mailto:ronspargo@mindspring.com).

This is a fun event and a great way to showcase the Viking Chapter. Your feet may be sore at the end of the day but you will have a smile on your face.

## NO MORE POSTCARDS!

In previous years the Viking Chapter has elected to send postcard reminders to members for upcoming club events (Holiday Party, Chicken BBQ, Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Spring Ride, etc.). The keys to the above statement are "Previous" and "Reminder".

The cost of printing and mailing postcards to all our members is simply too high. Especially when you consider our events are available in each issue of the Re-Cycle, Annual Event Calendar available as a tear-out in the March issue Re-Cycle, and online at [vikingmc.org](http://vikingmc.org). Special events and reminders will now be made via broadcast email messages only. If you have an email address, make sure you fill it in on your membership renewal form so we can get to you.

# Viking Chapter Holiday Party

Saturday Jan. 7th 2012 4:30 to 9:00 pm



## It's a Pot Luck!

### SUPER SILENT AUCTION!

(see below)

GENERAL MEETING

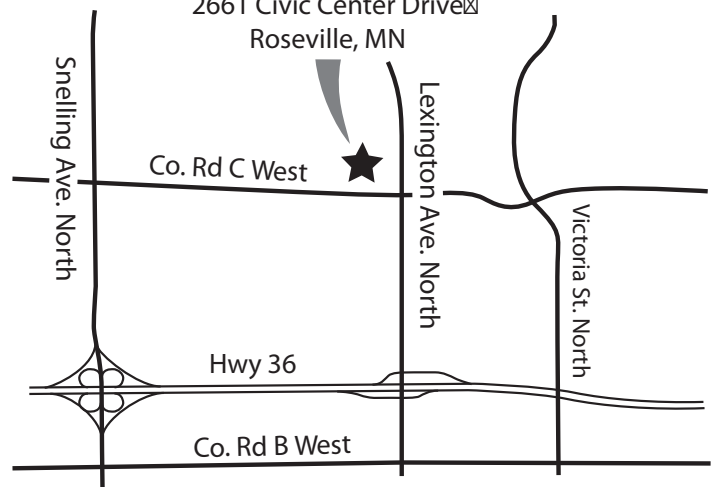
DOOR PRIZES FOR THE KIDS

ANNUAL AWARDS

MEET THE 2012 BOARD

Roseville Civic/Skating Center!

2661 Civic Center Drive  
Roseville, MN



Bring something to share based on the suggestions below.  
The club will provide snacks, appetizers, and beverages.

- A-Berghoff** ..... **desserts, cookies**
- Berquist**..... **deviled eggs**
- Bishop-D**..... **desserts, cookies**
- E-J** ..... **side dishes, salads, beans, fruit**
- K**..... **rolls & butter, breads, relishes**
- L-Z**..... **entrées, main dishes**

## HOLIDAY PARTY SILENT AUCTION INFORMATION

The Silent Auction will be with items you all donate. They do not have to be new items, but should be something that other members, or spouses, might like to bid on and take home. Look around the house and garage. I'm sure you'll find an item or two that you could donate.

Be Creative. Here is a short list of ideas:

Framed art work or posters  
Motorcycle nick nacks

Interesting motorcycle parts  
Unwanted Christmas gifts

Coffee table books  
Cool motorcycle parts

This will be one way of having fun, getting some cool things and adding to the club's coffers. This auction will also help us replenish our charity fund and make sure we are giving back to our community.

Get in touch with Bob Hopf at 612-867-5654 or email at CodyZ@Juno.com as soon as you can, so we have an idea of what we will have to auction. If you forget, feel free to bring something the night of the party as we will have blank sheets to fill in. Maybe you got something for Christmas you don't really want.

Bring it! (we won't tell Aunt Marge)

*Bring a Checkbook so You Can Bid on These Treasures as Well!*

*Remember, "It's Up to You to Make It Work"*



### BSA or BS Ay?

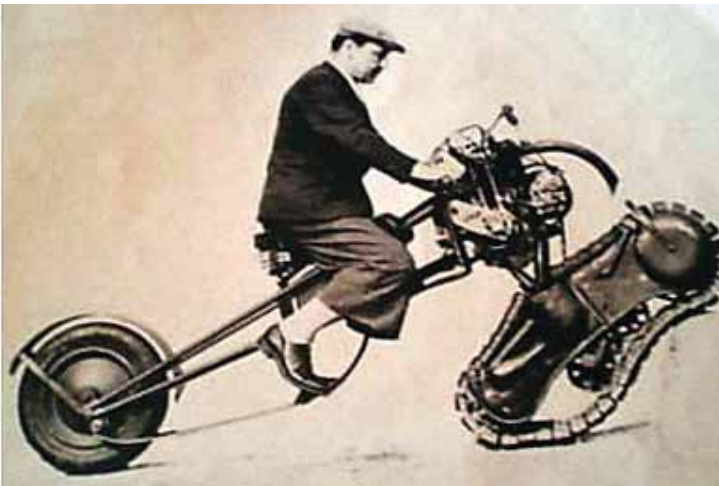
Fact or Fiction? Did the following "Frankstein Bikes" ever make it to production, or were they simply concepts?



1. The Kogisama 1000

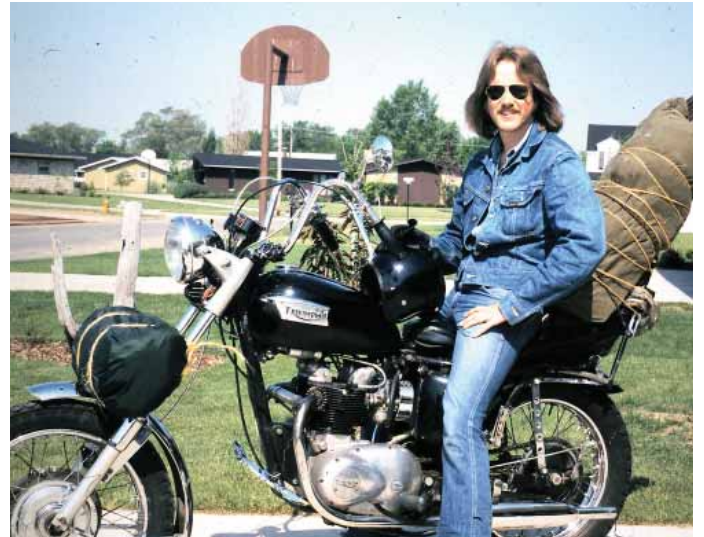


2. 1936 Schneekrad



3. 1937 Upenslinky

### Mystery Biker



Get a Haircut!

### It's Not Too Late..

...to get involved in helping plan this years Viking Chapter national Meet. There are so many great new ideas and attractions being discussed. I'm sure one of them would interest you, and you getting involved in making it happen would interest us. Plan on attending one of the upcoming Natl. Meet Planning Committee Mtgs (last Wednesday of each month). Roll up your sleeves, have a slice of pizza, and get busy. Our success is directly based on our members/volunteers.





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# RE-CYCLE

Viking Chapter AMCA, Inc.  
Antique Motorcycle Club of America, Inc  
7314 Chicago Avenue South, Richfield, MN 55423



## Wanted:

Indian Side Car Frame or Parts to fit post WWII Chief. Kerry 651-492-0735

## Stolen:

On Friday night 11/11/11 we had a little break in just a few miles south of Farmington – stolen were a few guns, some music equipment and this completely restored 1970 Rupp Mini Bike. If you can keep an eye out for this bike and possibly let anyone else know that it is missing it would be greatly appreciated – if you have any info you can reach me at 952-240-1262 or email me at 1936vlh@charter.net



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