

# ROLLING THUNDER® INC. ARKANSAS CHAPTER 1

## March

### Birthdays:

3/3 - Donna  
Johnson

3/4 Carl VanWinkle

3/9 Dennis Mullenax

Please keep Yogi in your thoughts in prayers due to his upcoming surgery.

Also keep our President Brett Johnson and his family in your thoughts and prayers during their time of need.

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Spring is upon us and for those of you that do not ride all year long a few tips when getting your bike out of storage. Change your fluids, check belts, hoses, chains, and most of all check your tire pressure. It wouldn't hurt to wash and wax. Most issues can be found when you are cleaning your bike.

The ABATE 1 rally at the Hall of Industry appeared to be a huge success. There were many vendors

and alot of bikers from different organizations. A big thank you goes to Jim Blancett for all that he does for RT and for being there from start to end at these events and operating the awareness booth.

We have many events to take care of this year and to be successful with them requires volunteers from our chapter. Without volunteers RT cannot be successful in promoting the

awareness of the POW - MIA issues. I look forward to seeing renewed participation from our membership.

I would like to thank each of you for your dedication and contributions to RT. Please pray for our Soldiers and their families daily. Remember, if you see military personnel; thank them for their service and for the freedoms that we enjoy in our daily lives.

## IMPORTANT INFO TOO KNOW

Official Display Day of the POW/MIA Flag:

A POW-MIA Flag is required to be displayed by federal agencies, military installations and U.S. Post Offices on the following days.

(Public Law 105-85,

November 16, 1997)

Armed Forces Day -  
May 16, 2009 (third  
Saturday in May)  
Memorial Day - May  
25, 2009

(Last Monday in May)

Flag Day - June 14,

2009

National POW/MIA  
Day - September 18,  
2009 (Third Friday in  
September)

Veterans Day -  
November 11



## Chaplains Corner

This month's corner was a tough one to write. As I sat racking my brain trying to come up with a subject I was reminded of why I became chaplain. It was something said in the description of the job, about dealing with members who are experiencing hard times and maybe dealing with a family member's death. It is a little strange how things work; it was February of 2009 when I volunteered for this position. Eight years earlier on February 6, my younger brother died. This year I received an email about one of your members in another state gravely ill, and a phone call about a members family member

getting closer to the end of their journey here on earth. Now, I am not going to lie to you, when my brother who was 21 at the time died, I hated God. I was mad at him. How could he take my brother who had in my eyes a great future ahead of him? After the shock wore off some common sense and faith kicked in. I realized I really did not hate God. As a matter of faith, my brother had ascended to a better place of what I could remember for when I attended church and was taught.

Well, guess what? After becoming chaplain, I have started reading my Bible and learning

and understanding it much better. In numerous places, it tells us of the wonders to be expected in our afterlife. Some passages that deal with this: Mark 12:25-27, 1 Corinthians 2:9, Revelation 4:1. I will let you read these on your own. In a nutshell, what I am trying to say is this. . . Do not grieve so hard for loved ones when they leave, for you will see them again, instead work hard in your faith and achieve your own everlasting life.

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*"Working on our Annual Poker Run! Contact Eatfish at: [eatfishnow@hotmail.com](mailto:eatfishnow@hotmail.com) if you would like to help!"*

Arkansas Chapter 1,  
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## March 2010 Newsletter

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### *About Our Organization...*

Rolling Thunder®, Inc. is a non-profit organization where everyone donates his or her time, for they believe in the POW-MIA issue that we are working on.

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
Rolling Thunder®, Inc.'s major function is:

- to publicize the POW-MIA issue.
- to educate the public of the fact that many American prisoners of war were left behind after all past wars.
- to help correct the past and to protect the future veterans from being left behind should they become prisoners of war-missing in action.

We are committed to helping American veterans from all wars!

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*"When one American is not worth the effort to be found, we as Americans have lost."*