

## EASTERN KANSAS TOUR RIDERS CHAPTER B



### MARCH 2018 MINUTES

#### **Officers:**

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**BOWLING:** March 18 2pm in Lawrence bowling alley (approximately 9th and Iowa). Number of people bowling will determine the cost. If you don't like to bowl come be part of the "peanut gallery" We all need to be cheered on. No need to RSVP just show up and have a great time. Those interested may be going to Biggs BBQ after the game

**GEORGIA RIDE:** John English has put out a map of the upcoming trip to Georgia. Expected to be about 3000 miles from May 5 - 13. See our website for more details.

**DINNER RIDES:** Weekly dinner rides start April 4. Bev sent the book around for sign ups but don't worry if you weren't there to sign up or you decided you want to lead more there are still openings. We have 2 more "meet and eats" left this month. March 14 we will go to the Red Door Grill in Leawood.

**SHAWNEE CYCLE:** March 23 & 24 Shawnee Cycle is having an open house. Go see the new Honda's (might even get a test ride).

**T-BONES:** August 15 in place of a dinner ride we will be going back to the T-bones game. Tickets are \$5 each. Bev will need your names and money by the last dinner ride in May.

**AMERICAN CHOPPER:** American Chopper show will be in Garnett Kansas March 24 at 3pm. There is parking at Anderson County High School

**50/50:** Sam won \$20

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Bev was at a Landlord Association Meeting and heard our speaker, thought he was very interesting and set him up for us. **Jason Novotny** (an investigator for the Johnson County DA's Office) came to talk to us about Identity Theft - The Crime and its Impact. He worked in banking from a teller up to head of the bank, He decided he wanted a change in life - wanted to give back and became a police officer. He worked in the Lawrence police department for 4 years. He currently works not only for the DA's office but helps local police departments also as there is a big shortage of police officers.

Someone is affected by identity theft every 2 seconds, it is a crime that has gone from **if** you are affected to **when** you will be affected. It was the #1 reported crime to the Federal Trade Commission in 2014, was #2 in 2015 and #3 in 2016. Imposter scams were the 2nd most reported complaint in 2016. It has become such a big crime that banks are not responding as quickly as they did in the past. A person's liability can be \$500 or more (as in you won't get paid back for that amount if someone impersonates you and uses that much of your money). It is your responsibility to notify your credit card / debit company as soon as you notice fraudulent activity.

Things you can do to limit your chance of being "hacked" or to get "cloned":

- contact credit reporting companies- Equifax, Experian, Transunion- and ask them you don't need your "credit score" just information on you being "hacked".

- hover over a "link" before you click on it if you aren't sure if a message you are getting is legit. If the address is different it isn't legit.

- shred your important documents: keep credit card statements, utility bills and cell phone bills for a year - keep bank statements, insurance statements and receipts from large purchases like computers tv etc for 4 years- never shred your mortgage title or pay off papers

- take checks to the bank don't put them in a local mailbox.

- look for "skimmers: on gas pumps (device that looks like the card scanner but can be pulled off).use the pumps closest to the store entrance to decrease chance of using a skimmer at the gas station.

- check things out before believing a call about a loved one o- there are spoofing cards and apps that change a voice to male / female and can change the phone number calling you to look like a similar number to you

- make your passwords a combination of numbers, capital and lowercase numbers and a symbol. Don't make it something having to do with your (kids names- birthday-favorite team etc.) makes it harder for them to access your accounts

- don't use public wi-fi for purchases / banking issues

If you have been hacked you can do something to limit you getting hacked again you need a police report but can then put a “freeze” on your account that lasts up to 7 years - can call to “unfreeze” it for 24 hours when you know you are going to make a large purchase (house - car)

Basically, keep vigilant, if it sounds “fishy” it probably is. Anyone can get “hacked” so if it happens don’t be “embarrassed” to report it as soon as you can to limit your losses

Respectfully submitted: Madame Secretary Patti Kelsey