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Save-A-Vet ....The  
Other Forgotten  
Soldier**

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Your first thought when you hear about this benefit is that this is another wonderful program to support our returning troops and those who have served our country. Well in a way it is, but a visit to their web site [www.save-a-vet.org](http://www.save-a-vet.org) and you will learn more. Danny Scheurer co-founder of Save-A-Vet is indeed a veteran, but this 30 year old's love for animals has moved him and others to form this non-profit organization. Their efforts will provide a dignified facility for retiring military and police dogs to live out their remaining days in a peaceful environment. Danny says it best on the site when he says, " Many military and police dogs are unable to be placed for adoption because of their training..." The efforts of this organization will raise funds to provide a future home for these loyal protectors.

This was the first "Official Event" Shawn and I attended for the magazine and we were very impressed with the turnout. When I contacted Danny after the event he had the following to say. "A representative from Woodstock Harley Davidson stated, I've been in this business for over 22 years, and this is by far, the largest turnout for a first run in the state of IL that I have ever seen. We had over 500 people total in attendance, over 300 bikes, and 270 bikes within the first 20 minutes of registration. All and all it was a fantastic turnout."

Like every new organization they plan on making a few adjustments for next year. But this group has strength in their numbers and I have no doubt we can look forward to another successful event in the future. JD Bootleggers and KC's Cabin were strong supporters of the ride and assisted them in advertising from the first day. And as local riders we all know and appreciate the biker friendly establishments in

this area who continue to support the sport and the benefits we as riders support.

As a young non profit they were able to raise enough money to file for our 501(c)(3) tax exemption, purchase business development software which is currently being used to develop their business plans needed for land donations, and they have made contacts from all over who are offering their help. The organization wanted to thank the Patriot Motorcycle Club and the Waukegan Police Departments K9 division for all of their support.

As for the kennels. They are still working on getting the land donated to build on so keep them in mind if you know of anyone who may be interested in a property donation for a great cause.

In closing to my communication with Danny he said "There where over 20 different biker clubs, that attended the event. The only problems we had was two bikes broke down, and everybody stopped to assist them, and we should have had more pig. I have a picture of two rival bike gangs, with their arms around each other smiling, and showing their support to ride together for a great cause. I'd like to send that one to the mayor of Grayslake.".... So would I Danny, so would I.

Danny wanted to thank everyone for their support. Our Little "Biker Information Guide" will continue to be a supporter of their efforts so watch the publication and the web site for other fundraising events for this organization. If you would like to contact Danny and the group at Save-A-Vet and offer your support you can reach him at

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