**26th Annual Ride – A New Beginning**

Edward Pressnell – Director

Retired Police Officer

Oakland Police Department

**As many of you know, last year’s ride to Mt. Rainier was Dennis Brown’s last as MMOC’s Ride Director. He will continue to ride but his planning days are over and as such I volunteered to take a shot at it. This will be my first year planning the MMOC ride. Doug Wayne and I have put together a great route, including highways 33, 166, 2 and Big Bear Mountain. Of course, I ran it by Dennis who gave it his blessing. As many of you have requested, we will make a stop at the Reagan Library in Simi Valley. We will spend an entire day in Simi Valley, visiting The Reagan Library and relaxing by the pool. We will be staying at the Best Western Posada Inn less than 3 miles from the Museum. (Big pool and bar).**

**We will try to make this year’s trip a little different than the other years. The format will be more like a rally. You will have the planned route for each day, giving you the option to leave at anytime with your chosen group. Along the route we will have a designated place to meet up for lunch, time permitting.**

 **I have reserved 15 rooms at each hotel. Make sure to mention Municipal Motorcycle Officers of California (or MMOC) when making reservations. A word of caution to PROCRASTINATORS: a couple establishments will only guarantee room availability up to 30 days out with a credit card transaction. Make your reservations early!**

**Sunday, July 7, 2018: Meet and greet**

**Best Western Plus Forest Park Inn, 375 Leavesley Road, Gilroy, CA. 95020,**

**(408) 848-5144**

**Room rate $129.00 Book by 6/7/2019 for preferred rate**

**24-hour cancellation prior to arrival**

**Monday, July 8, 2019**

**SpringHill Suites by Marriott Paso Robles Atascadero, 900 El Camino Real, Atascadero, CA. 93422**

**(805) 462-3500**

**Room rate $129.00 Book by 6/4/2019 for preferred rate**

**72-hour cancellation prior to arrival.**

**Tuesday and Wednesday 9-10 July 2019 (2 nights)**

**Best Western Posada Royale Hotel 1775 W. Madera Rd Simi Valley Ca.**

**(805) 584-6300**

**$139.00 for a deluxe room, $159.00 for an executive room. Book by 6/4/2019 for preferred rate.**

**24-hour cancellation prior to arrival**

**Thursday and Friday 11-12 2019 (2 nights)**

**Hilton Garden Inn Victorville 12603 Mariposa Rd. Victorville Ca. 92395**

**(760) 952-1200**

**Room rate $105.00**

**Use MMOC 18 for the preferred room rate. Must be booked by 6/4/2019**

**If you have any questions, ask them; please confirm your attendance by either sending an email to me at deweys76@aol.com or calling me at (510) 301-1804. I will forward the initial detailed routes, gas and food waypoints in Feb/March 2019. Should there be updates I’ll keep you posted via email.**

 **With one exception, gas up at each day’s end and as always, prepare your bike for the long haul. (especially tires and battery) The weather should be warm and probably no need for rain gear, but that decision is ultimately yours to make.**

**As always, Rhoda and I hope to see you on this historic ride. Inizio!**

**Dewey Pressnell Touring Understudy Ride Director.**