

5th Annual IBEW Solidarity Ride Raffle

Brothers & Sisters,

I am writing to make a request that in these times may seem a little extravagant. Brother Randy Stainbrook, BM/FS of Local 1250 Rapid City, SD, has been putting on a "SOLIDARITY RIDE" each year for the last four years, the last two have been at the Local Union's expense. In celebration of Brotherhood, Brother Stainbrook is trying to get enough money together to build a theme bike to be raffled off on August 7, 2011, at the 5th Annual IBEW Solidarity Ride. There will be 1500 tickets sold nationwide for \$50 each to fund the bike. IBEW "HOUR POWER" said they would do a major article to promote ticket sales and the I.O. has approved and supports the Solidarity Ride and the associated activities. Brother Stainbrook has commissioned Brother Bob Perryman, L.U. 340, to build the bike. Artistic renditions of the completed bike were done by Royal Watkins, L.U. 340, and will appear in future advertisements. The theme of the bike will depict the history of the IBEW from where we started to where we are headed in the future. This is a grand effort for all those involved, however Brother Stainbrook needs our support to make it happen. If you could please contact Brother Stainbrook and purchase 10 or more tickets to sell or raffle at your monthly meetings it would show unity and support for our sister local and encourage solidarity in the 11th district. Please do your best to support this worthwhile project. Updates on the construction of the bike can be seen at www.ibewsolidarityride.com. Thank you for your consideration on this great endeavor.

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