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News from your Chapter Directors:

Hello Everyone

We hope everyone enjoyed last month's chapter get-together as there was 38 people in attendance counting several visitors. We were fortunate to meet Paul & Betsy Horms (friends of Doris) of Elizabethtown, Judy Astorey (friend of Rick & Jeannie) of Vine Grove & 7 chapter members from Chapter Z of Tennessee. We hope everyone had the opportunity to meet with our guest. Chapter Z made a really quick trip from south of Nashville to claim the Region N Traveling Plague. We were glad to have all our visitors & hope that they will come back in the future.

Ice cream rides have been very well attended this year & it was no different on the last ice cream ride as we had 10 bikes & I believe 17 people that attended the ride on September 17. We had that many participants with rain threatening the area. Dave & Edie led us via back roads to Dairy Queen in Shepherdsville where some of us had a meal with our ice cream. Come & join us for a good time & celebrate Vickie's birthday on Tuesday, October 13, as we have another ice cream ride planned. We will meet at Golden Coral at 6:00 & decide where to go when we get there.

All Debi & I can say is Wow, that was a lot of fun. I'm talking about the chapter trip to Branson, Missouri. Wes & Sherri, Phil & Carol, David Rock & Debi & I left Thursday morning September 24, for 6 days of bike riding & visiting Branson, Missouri. You know—you sure get to see sides of people you didn't know existed until you spend several days with them especially when we all shared a 3 bedroom condo at a resort in Branson. We found out that Wes wears Speedos????? Sherri wears hot pants???? It's not bad as it sounds---come to this Sunday's chapter get-together & let us explain. We may even have Wes model his Speedos for us! We made a couple of wrong turns during the trip as we rode to Eureka Springs, Arkansas, Walnut Groove, Missouri & Springfield, Missouri where we ate at the original Lamberts Restaurant location but it didn't matter we all took it in stride & enjoyed the ride. Spending times like these with friends really is a good time. We hope you can make trips like this with us in the future so we can write about you!—just kidding—we do hope you can attend some events & have a good time like we all did. Visit the chapter's web page for some pictures!

We would like to thank everyone who attended the hayride, chili cook off & hot dog social as there were 32 people that attended. There were 7 pots of chili to

choose from as Cathy Williamson, Edie Richardson, Kevin Williamson, Denise Garcia, Jeannie Robinson, Vickie Thurman & Lloyd Mayes all made a great pot of chili but in the end the judges picked Lloyd's as the best chili. Jeannie got second place & Denise got third. We would like to thank them for participating in the chili cook off. We would like to say a special **Thank You** to David Rock for opening up his home & taking us on another fun hayride. The only problem we had was Jeannie putting hay in the top back of my pants & Sherri stinking up on me & putting hay down my back & I didn't do anything!!!— well, almost nothing—there may have been a few pieces of hay that may have slipped out of my hands & went toward them on the ride. Needless to say we all had a good time!!!

We have one more event before the next chapter get-together & that is a ride to Kentucky Speedway on Saturday, October 10. We will meet at Golden Coral at 9:00 & ride via interstate to support Robert Williamson, Carroll Gibson & Kim Higgins as they drive a NASCAR around the track. We plan on stopping at Our Best Restaurant on the way back. We hope you can attend.

Coming up this month after the chapter get-together is a dinner ride to Old South Barbeque led by our dinner ride coordinator on October 17, at 11:00. Also there will be the chapter's 3rd annual Mystery Ride on October 24. We will let you know about the time. As many of you know the Region "N" Rally on October 29 -31 has been cancelled.

We hope you have been thinking about who you would like to nominate as 2010 Couple of the Year. It can be any couple that is a Chapter "S" member even if they have been Couple of the Year in the past. Being the Couple of the Year is honoring those that had been active & outgoing member of the chapter this past year. Please bring your nomination to this month's get-together. The Couple of the Year will be announced at the chapter Christmas party in December.

We hope to see everyone at the chapter get-together on October 11.

"Remember you get out of the chapter what you put into it! So be active!"

Steve & Debi
Chapter Directors KY "S"

From your Assistants



Wow, where has the summer gone? It seems like it has flown by! Now that the riding season is winding down I'm going to start doing work to the Wing that I've been putting off for a long while, new brake light modulator and lights and stuff like that.

Guys this may be a little early but you might want to start thinking about where you want to go and what you want to do next year. Maybe some overnights, dinner rides, day rides and such. This info is needed so we can put together a calendar of events for 2010. If you think of something you would like to do make a note of it and bring it with you to the January meeting. Terri and I will be stepping into the Chapter Director position the first of the year and we would like to try to keep up the **GREAT** job that Steve and Debi has done over the last three years. Granted, that will be a difficult job, but we will do our best. We won't be able to do every event that the chapter does, but we will do all we can. Life sometimes gets in the way of pleasure, but we all have things we have to deal with at times.

You need to be thinking about who you would like to nominate as your 2010 couple of the year. This is an honor for a couple that has been very active in 2009 and implements the motto of GWRRA, Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge. Make sure you go to the October meeting and place your nomination.

This will ensure the couple you select has a chance at receiving the honor of Chapter S's couple of the year.

Due to family obligations we will not be attending the October meeting, but we know it will be fun as usual. We will see you next month, if not before. Have a good month!

See ya soon
Darrell & Terri



From the Back Seat

For those who missed the trip to Branson, MO, I wanted to share some of the observations that I made along the way.

These are The Observations of a Rental Wife:

If you did not go on this trip, here are some of the moments that you missed:

1. Riding in the rain the first day, at least it was a warm day and made it bearable.
2. Getting lost---a great picture would have been the one where we had 4 bikes with some form of GPS, one of the guys out in the rain, map in hand, talking to a local offering advice.
3. Discussion of Wes's Speedos while riding for two days toward Branson. Debi was horrified. "TMI."
4. Sheree chattering on the CB and no-one having a clue what she was saying.
5. A scenic tour of the seedy side of Paducah. We discovered something about GPS travel.
6. Driving to Walnut Grove, MO, to see Laura Ingalls Wilder's homestead; and then discovering that it was about 90 miles away. Oh, well, it was a nice ride.
7. The Showboat dinner and show---it was full of music and talent. (At least some of us thought so.)
8. Lots of laughter and relaxation at the resort, sometimes on the balcony with the sound of a stream and waterfall in the background.

So sorry that you could not be a part of it. Here are some things that I noted with people:

Debi's research skills into motels were revealed when all jaws dropped upon arrival at the chosen location!!

Steve being the focus of much joking one morning.

David coming into the common room at night and finding that everyone had deserted him. Poor David!

Wes modeling his speedos.

Phil's muscles built from the twisting roads of the Ozark Mountains. And Wes giving him a massage!

Carol becoming a human icicle!

And last, but not least, Sheree (me) taking a fall on the Goldwing!

As I have been referred to as the Rental Wife, I want to make some recommendations to other Rental Wives who may want to negotiate a contract before leaving. As a rental wife, you have greater

leverage than you may realize. You can show up (or NOT) when the ride does not meet your standards. They should include the following:

1. Consultations that no rain or wind be in the forecast. All agreements are subject to change when the weather does.
2. All bikes are to be parked on the correct slope!!!
3. When anything happens to possibly hurt the rental wife, the rider should check on the rental wife first! Not the bike.
4. A stop at gas stations REQUIRES that they have a restroom!
5. Agree to pretend that you and your rider are having an anniversary so that you can have easier acceptance into the group.
6. The contract could have other revisions that may be needed; and must include a provision that addendums can be put into the contract at a later time, as is deemed necessary by the rental wife.

ONE MORE NOTE: Personally, I was nervous about going on my first overnight group event. I did not know if I would be up for the challenges that could be ahead. And, as it turned out, I had the opportunity to experience plenty: rain, wind, heat, and cold, getting lost, traveling slow on curvy roads, moving fast on the interstate. Through it all, I can say that it was a wonderful trip!

Sheree Priddy

Educators Corner



Davids computer is not working so we borrowed this article from the National Newsletter of January 2008.

The article below is something we can all be proud of. If you know of any member who has done a good deed by helping others, please let your Region Educator know. We have had the honor on several occasions to write up awards honoring members who went beyond their duty to help others. It is important that these members be recognized.

All we need is a write up of what the person has done and we will forward a framed certificate to the Region Educator to present at their Chapter meeting or to make it more rewarding at a District or Region Function.

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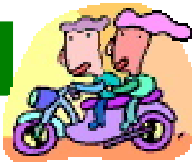
Earl Hobbs

Region E MFA Coordinator

Through the years, GWRRRA has offered many fine rider Education classes. We stress rider safety in every edition of Wing World. Members send in articles about their riding adventures and we have a very fine section on how to fix problems with our machines. We seem to avoid the adverse things that can happen when we mingle with other vehicles during the riding season. Every meeting I go to, every opportunity I get, I stress MEDIC FIRST AID® training as a method of preparedness for the unexpected. Statistics show we are more likely to use our skills on a family member before a stranger. But the key is being prepared. Here is one recent reason why..... "You may or may not know that Boomer Franklin is a truck driver. Boomer travels several thousand miles yearly in his big rig. On January 11th Boomer was at work driving the big rig down the road. He was following a couple of vehicles on a two-lane highway. The Chevy Impala directly in front of Boomer became impatient of the vehicle in front of him so he pulled out to pass. Boomer had the advantage of being on the high ground and saw the accident that was about to happen before it happened. There was a Buick Lucerne coming up the other lane. Before the impact of the head on collision, Boomer was applying the air brakes to the big rig. Boomer dialed 911 as he got out of the rig and started towards the wreckage. He got off the phone and then thought now what do I do? He looked into the vehicle and saw the driver was bleeding profusely from a head wound. Boomer then told me that all of a sudden everything

just started clicking. He recalled the MFA training that Char and I had taught him. He put on gloves and started down his checklist. He was stabilizing the patient and keeping him calm. Another bystander came to offer help and Boomer had them help keep the patient's head still. During his treatment he found a large piece of glass sticking out of the patients arm and he was bleeding badly. He remembered not to remove the glass and he dressed the wound to stop the bleeding. The ambulance arrived and came to Boomer's patient first. Seeing how Boomer was treating this person they told Boomer that he was doing an outstanding job and left him to continue giving treatment to the person as they went to the next victim. After the victims were transported to the hospital, one of the police officers at the scene asked Boomer if he had received his medical training from his trucking company. Boomer advised the Officer that it was the Goldwing Road Riders Association that got the credit for his training. I used to be a paramedic. I know first hand what it is like to save lives. It is a good feeling knowing you can give aid and comfort to others. But when Boomer was telling me this story he wanted to thank me for giving him the MFA class. What a great feeling this is for me. I could never ask for anything more. I love this organization more than words can say. They have done more for me than I could ever do for them. What a satisfying "job" this is!" This article was sent to me by Kenton Cole, CD Iowa Chapter E and the MFA Facilitator who instructed Boomer in his MFA class. As he stated, Kenton was a paramedic and experienced many of these types of accidents. Would you know what to do?

Notes From the Ride Coordinator:



HONOR TIME! It's that time of year again when KYS Chapter participants are

polled to bestow the honor of being selected as Chapter Couple Of The Year.

The purpose of this honor is to recognize the couple that has done the most for the chapter during the past year. Usually this goes hand in hand with chapter participation. What couple do you think has been most involved with keeping the chapter rolling month-to-month? In no way should a chapter officer or staff member, who is expected to be at many activities, not be considered for this honor. So please arrive at our next get-together and take your KYS selection process serious.

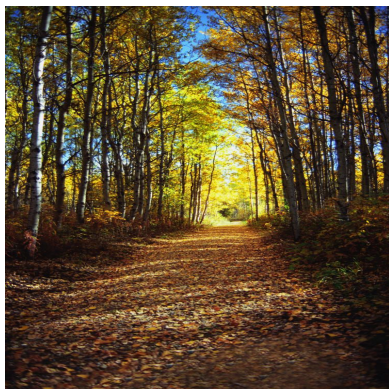
Just a quick reminder of where our chapter funds come from. We don't ask you for additional money to prepare and distribute our newsletter. We don't ask you to chip in for flowers for a chapter participant's time of need (illness, death etc). We have been funding our needs and our holiday food purchases from district raffle ticket sales, newsletter advertising and 50/50 sales. Since district no longer sponsors raffle tickets we need to thank our staff members John Roberts and Jeanie Robinson for securing our newsletter sponsors. That just leaves you and I to continue purchasing all the 50/50 tickets that our wallet can handle each month.

Quote of the month: Every day I beat my own previous record for number of consecutive days I've stayed alive.

Dave Richardson

October Birthdays!

1 – Millard Ransom
2 - Barbara Jackson
10 – Steve Pugh
13 – Vicki Thurman
22 – Kristy Williams
26 – Rick Andreen
29 – Edie Richardson



Anniversaries!!

Whatchacallit basket winner: Daryl and Vickie Thurman

Door Prizes:

Storm (Visitor)
David Rock
Debra Vitarno
Dave Richardson
Phil Shutts
Jeannie Robinson
Vicki Thurman
Bill Archer
Debbie Archer
Edie Richardson
Barbara Jackson
Daryl Thurman

50/50 Winners

Lloyd Mayes
Darrell Webb
James Smithson



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