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Director's Corner

As this newsletter goes out late again, the month of May has been good in some ways and not so good in others. As you probably know the better half of our District Director, Kathy Coleman is not doing well. Shortly after returning home from the Rally in Charleston she was taken to the hospital with a breathing problem. It was discovered that she has a tumor on her right lung. Kathy will be having Radiation and Chemo treatments over the next months and will need all of our prayers as she is on the road to a complete recovery.

On the good side the rally was a big success with everyone wanting to return to North Charleston next year. Guess what!! That's where it's gonna be. We made reservation at the hotel before we left. Just in case.

The South Carolina Three Corner Tour was a success also thanks to the hard work be Carl and LaRue Hallman. Carl would like to take all the credit, but we know. Eighteen people on 3 bikes and six trikes made the 3 day trip finishing up in the worst rain this area has had in a long time. Ann noticed something very unique about rides on the tour, know what it was???

Tom & Ann

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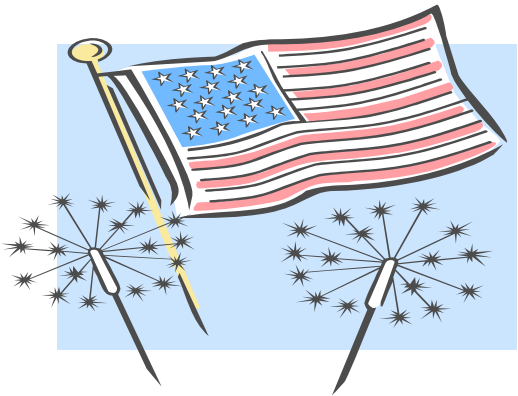
Chapter Gathering

Second Saturday of the Month
Carolina Fine Foods
Simpsonville, SC

5:30 to Eat 6:30 to Meet



WORDS FROM THE ASSISTANT DIRECTORS



Our Flag

There are many flags in many lands,
 There are flags of every hue;
 But there is no flag, however grand,
 Like our own Red, White and Blue.



We would like to thank, Carl and LaRue Hallman for planning and leading 18 of Chapter E Members, on our Memorial Weekend 3 Corners Ride.

Willis and Virginia Smith had a Cookout for us with Larry Kelly doing the grilling. We really appreciated the Southern hospitality.

The Weather cooperated Friday And Saturday not so much on Sunday.

A great time was had by all, should you get the chance to go on one of these rides please go. Maybe Carl can be talked into planning another one next year.

Rick & Jodi

Remember to have your current GWRRA card in your possession, and chapter shirt or vest on, incase your number is called for Chapter Pride.

Membership Corner



MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Well, the SC (Rally) Convention is over. If you went I am sure you had a great time. D\D Charles and Kathy and their staff put on a great convention. Fun was had and a great place for it. All positive notes about the hotel and the food at the Charleston Southern College. It is let's do it again.

Our May gathering was fun as always. There were 49 chapter E folks present. We welcome Eugene and Renee Dent and her mother Mary Patterson from Chapter F for their visit. Do come back and let's try and have 100% Chapter E folks on June 12, 2010. Your input is needed to make Chapter E the success it is. Come and support it the 2nd Saturday of each month. We all need to remember things for Harvest Hope. Chapter E staff thanks all who help with the project gift.

May has been a hard month for Chapter E. There has been so much sickness within the Chapter. The news from D\D Charles about Kathy as we are their home Chapter. Things are looking up for all right now. Remember them in your prayers as they still have a long way to go. Connie Lavigne had hip replacement and is home recovering. Anne Cobbett was in the hospital for a few days and is now home. Dennis Fruechtenicht had some surgery and is home. Charles Franks has been sick and now has the shingles. I still have the shingles and I do hope nobody ever has them as I have. I can see the end is coming soon. I HOPE. These golden years are not so golden right now.

Chapter E is having their own tree corner tour. Call Hallman has put together a ride that looks great around SC. It will be Memorial Day weekend. He has 10 couples right now joining him. I know they will have a great time. We will be expecting a newsletter article next month.

The weather is still not working for us to ride much but hope we can have some good rides soon. If you want to lead or plan something just let Tom know and it can be made possible. Ride safe and we see you soon.

By for now Joyce



RIDER EDUCATION



You only hit that car if you don't quite stop in time

It takes most people about 4.5 seconds to read this sentence.

4.5 seconds is not a lot of time - but it could be the rest of your life. 4.5 seconds is also (not really a coincidence) about how long it SHOULD take you to stop your motorcycle after applying your brakes at 60 MPH!

Stopping a motorcycle as fast as possible requires that you master only a few fundamentals:

- Alertness - No matter how fast your reflexes are or how skillful you are with your brakes, if you don't see the need to stop, you won't.
- Reflexes - First you need time to recognize a threat and decide to react to it, then your fast reflexes take over and make the difference.

Skill - Under-utilizing your brakes is just as dangerous as over-doing it.

Let's get a feel for magnitudes.

It usually takes about .7 seconds to recognize a threat. A person with normal reflexes takes about .3 seconds to start braking from the moment he realizes he has to do so. Combined, that's about 1 full second from the time a threat presents itself to you and you begin to slow down.

At 60 MPH you travel **88 FEET** in 1 second!

That it takes you about .7 seconds to recognize the threat is a mental reality. But it does not necessarily take .3 seconds to react to it. The simple practice of always covering your front brake can shave a full tenth of a second (1/3!!) of that time away. That's almost **9 FEET!**

Assuming you have read the tips on braking methods earlier, you have a good idea about how to use those brakes. Now let me try to give you a sense of magnitude associated with the skill part of braking.

Traffic Engineers have some rules-of-thumb they developed over time. They, for example, have found that if the street surface is dry, the average person can safely decelerate an automobile at the rate of 15 feet per second per second (fpsps). That is, an average person can slow down at this rate without any real likelihood that they will lose control in the process.

If the surface is wet they assume a deceleration rate of 10 fpsps is safely attainable by almost anyone.

Let's assume a wet street surface and that you are moving at 60 MPH. At a 10 fps deceleration rate it will take you 8.8 seconds to stop after you begin applying your brakes. (A total of 9.8 seconds from the time the threat we earlier talked about presents itself.) The distance you would travel before coming to a complete stop is 475 feet.

If, however, the road is dry, it would take you only a total of 6.9 seconds to stop, (including the 1 second recognition/reaction delay.) and the distance traveled until you came to rest would be 346 feet.

Clearly the more effective your braking is, the less time it takes to stop, and the less distance traveled.

I think most of you know that your motorcycles can stop more quickly than can an automobile. Indeed, a professional motorcycle racer can obtain a 1g deceleration rate, or more, on his motorcycle. (1g deceleration is 32 fpsps.)

With practice, your braking skills should easily allow you to attain deceleration rates in excess of 20 fpsps. What would that mean in our example threat scenario?

It would mean that you could stop your motorcycle in a total of 5.4 seconds (including the 1 second delay.) and your total stopping distance would be only 281.5 feet!

By enhancing your braking skills with practice you can shave 64.5 feet and 1.5 seconds off 'normal' results. And you could shave off another nearly 9 feet just by covering your brakes. That brings the distance traveled before stopping down by about 73.5 feet.

73.5 feet is about four car-lengths!

The message is clear: You only hit that car if you don't quite stop in time. You might not hit it at all if you cover your brakes and practice your braking skills.

This article was taken from Splitting the Breeze, I found it to be very informative about how important it is to be proactive in our braking skills. Hopefully you will find it helpful and informative.

As they say Practice Makes Perfect:

Have a safe and fun summer,

Jerry and Teresa Hill



Calendar of events

June

- 12 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 17-19 GA District Rally, Hiawassee
- 30-July 3 WING DING 32, Des Moines, Iowa

13 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering

Dec

11 Chapter "E" Christmas Party

July

- 10 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering

August

- 14 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 29 Ride for Kids

Sept

- 11 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 16-18 Region A Rally, Eufaula AL

Oct

- 9 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 9 SC District Picnic, Little Mtn.
- 14-16 Mississippi Rally, Tupelo

Nov

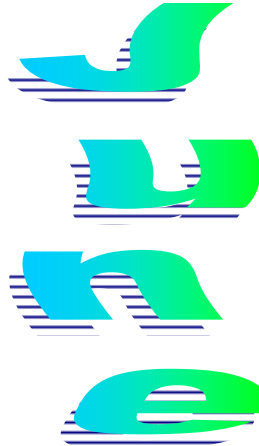
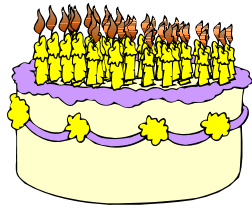


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Friendship Dinner Hosts for June

- 1 Robert & Joyce Spooner
- 8 Daryl Shenlund
- 15 Willis & Virginia Smith
- 22 Kurt & Phylis Showvaker
- 29 Jesse & Sue Sammons



- 1 Charles Coleman
- 1 Larry Holden
- 6 Ken Taylor
- 7 Dennis Fruechtenicht
- 8 Ruth Stephens
- 13 Cathy Holden
- 13 Mark Stephens
- 15 Tim Hormell
- 17 Paul Workman
- 20 Beth Sports
- 22 Bryan Messer
- 22 Polly Wells
- 24 Charles Cobberrt
- 26 Carl Hallman

- 4 Sam & Linda Stidham
- 6 Jerry & Angie Brown
- 7 Charles & Nell Cammon
- 10 Preston & Peggy Holder
- 12 Milt & Sandra Richards
- 19 Bryan & Ann Messer
- 25 Carl & LaRue Halman
- 26 Don Eubanks

May Gathering Gab

- Project Gift Donation.....**Daryl Shenlund
- Project Gift Winner.....**Ann McIlroy
- Monkey Shine (Coleman) Award.....**Milt Richards
- Helping Hand Award.....**Jan Brown
- Recruiter Award.....**None
- Chapter Pride.....**Ann Cobberrt (Not present)
- 50/25/25.....**Sandra Kelly/Joyce Spooner
- High Mileage Award**David Gosnell (1450 miles)

BRAGGING RITES 2009

1 st place-Roaring 20' Swimsuit- Jerry & Teresa Hill

1 st place-Chapter Mascot "Ruff E. Ruffus" by Jodi Hughes

1 st Chapter Scrapbook—Teresa Hill

2 nd Place- Comedy Talent Show-Swimming Beauties-Deb Franks, Sandra Kelly, Miriam Hormell,
Peggy Holder and Sandra Richards

Largest Chapter Pre-registered- SC-E

Traveling Plaque- Most Attempts-SC-E

Traveling Plaque- Highest Mileage Points—SC-E

We also want to brag on our chapter for their participation at the convention: Our workers, Joyce Spooner, Jerry and Becky Landreth, Deb and Charles Franks, Teresa Hill, Kim and Keith Stidham, Dennis and Eileen Cape, Peggy and Preston Holder, Miriam and Tim Hormell, Rick and Jodi Hughes, Ken and Vanna Taylor, Paul and Joyce Workman, Sandra and Milt Richards, Charles and Jackie Durnagin, Connie and Steve Lavigne, LaRue and Carl Hallman, Cathy and Larry Holden, Sam and Linda Stidham and Tom and Ann McIlroy.

Our talent contestants, Deb Franks, Sandra Richards, Peggy Holder, Miriam Hormell, Sandra Kelly, and Lyle Watson .

Milt Richards for singing the National Anthem.

We want to brag on all those that participated in the Roaring 20's Swimsuit competition and the Roaring 20's Costume contest. Those from Chapter E ; Larry and Sandra Kelly, John and Janet Crabtree, Charles and Kathy Coleman, Teresa and Jerry Hill and Sue Sammons.

We also had great bridges constructed by Robert and Joyce Spooner, Teresa Hill and Rick Hughes.

Tom and I are very proud of all of the folks in our Chapter and are very grateful to be a part of the Best Group in the state. We do hope we have not left anyone out that deserves recognition, please forgive us if we did.

Tom & Ann