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Director's Corner

Well, the weather is getting some what better, in the afternoon anyway. Early on Saturday morning, Feb. 7, Randall and Josh Niles, Ron Robb, Mark & Ruth Stephens and I was led to Myrtle Beach by Jerry & Teresa Hill to attend the "Plaque Attach" We didn't get the plaque but had a good ride anyway. The plaque went to Newberry Chapter S. Lexington was 2nd with Greer Chapter T in 3rd place.

Then the plaque was put up for capture by Chapter S in Prosperity on Saturday Feb. 21 with Chapter T in Greer taking it home. Giveaway is Sat. March 4 at Ryan's Family Steakhouse Restaurant in Greer at 12 noon. The date that Chapter S gave the plaque away conflicted with the International Motorcycle Show that was in Greenville the same weekend. We only had 4 at the Plaque attack which was enough to count as an attempt. Most of our people went to the bike show. It was a good show by the way.

Back to the Plaque, I would like for Chapter E to go after the Region A plaque sometimes. It's to be given away by FL2-G Fort Meyers, FL. on March 7th.

That's kinda far for a day ride. Maybe later. Whatta ya think??

At the March gathering, the work sheet for the rally will be passed around. This year Chapter E has the indoor games, and as always we need help. It'll be lot of fun, so sign up if you can.. I understand registration for the rally is ahead of last year at this time. But vendors are down. If you know of a vender of any kind that would like to participate, let us know and we will get them in touch with who they need to get in touch with.

Our tech day is coming up in April. Date is undecided because a Horizons training course is the day we had planned. It will probably be April 4th. Plan now to get ready for the riding season. Change oil, check tires wash you bike, or whatever, eat and socialize or whatever. Info to come later.

Tom & Ann



Phantom Gathering Chapter Gathering

Second Saturday of the Month

Carolina Fine Foods

Simpsonville, SC

5:30 to Eat 6:30 to Meet



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Assistant Directors Views

We're happy to say that we, Chapter E selected Meals on Wheels as our Project Gift for 2009. We can make a difference in improving the quality of life for those that are homebound throughout our community by supporting our chapters project gift program.

Larry and I are looking forward to the SC District Rally; especially looking forward to watching the talent from Chapter E; it's something you should not miss. If you're not signed up already, please do so. We plan on having a great time laughing, eating, eating, laughing and shopping. Oh, did we say eating and laughing! You get the point.

Larry & Cathy



Membership Corner

Feb. 14, Chapter E had a great gathering. We welcomed 68 Chapter E folks and welcome to Chapter U with 6 visitors. Thanks to CVD Bear Frankum, Diane Brook, Barney and Brenda Cannon, Gene, and Cynthia Callahan for coming over to see us. Wyman and Jessica Tribble came to see us. Wyman once belonged to Chapter E, do come back to see us. A special welcome to Jimmy and Sue Ne-smith and their granddaughter Angelica to our Feb. gathering. Jimmy and Sue are joining us as new members for 2009. It was Patty Robinson and Cheryl Rader first gathering with us. All the guys done a great job for bringing your lady out for Valentines. We hope all had a good time. Please all come back and play with us.

The perfect attendance was good for Chapter E. we are proud for the 13 who got their 2008 bars. Let's hope for more in 2009.

Chapter E can't wait for warmer weather and riding season. Some ride anytime but age says no to some of us oldies. When the warmer weather happens we will join all of you for those memory rides.

Hope you are planning to attend the SC Rally and have some fun with us. CVD Tom says Chapter E has the games this year. We will need lots of help keeping the games going. There are several games to make money for SC.

The games are fun and a fun way to get to play and win tickets for door prizes. Spend some dollars to make money and have fun doing it. Game door prizes are fun to get. Remember bring some door prizes if you have some or get them denoted for the Rally. I am sure the state staff would appreciate it. Don't forget the snacks for the party room.

See you at Myrtle Beach in April.

Please check you Gold Wing Membership Card and make sure you stay updated. I do not put your names down but I know who you are. **DON'T MAKE ME COME AFTER YOU????????????????????**

You all are special friends. Ride and be safe.

Joyce



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

RIDER EDUCATION

My name is *Jerry Hill*, as Rider Educator, the first question that I would like to place before each and everyone of you is.

“WHAT CAN A HELMET DO FOR YOU??”

First and foremost, a helmet is the best protective gear you can wear when riding a motorcycle, combined with other protective gear we as riders should wear. Just because a rider wears a helmet, it doesn't stop a crash. Nor is a helmet a cure all for accidents. But wearing a helmet can help in saving your life or even protecting you from trauma should you have an accident.

Second, wearing a helmet makes riding more fun, as a person is more inclined to be comfortable knowing they are protected should an accident occur while riding. A helmet is great for eye protection. Also it cuts down on wind and road noise, as well reduces mental and physical fatigue. A

Third, Motorcyclists who wear helmets show that they are responsible and caring people, and we all know that GWRRA Riders are caring and responsible riders who take motorcycling seriously. As members of GWRRA we all need to remember safety is our primary focus while riding, after that we need to show everyone we can go out and have fun while being safety conscious. Remember as we're riding around on these highways or just in the local

neighbor hood we are setting examples for those who may follow in our footsteps.

It's to better to say, “I'm glad I did wear a helmet, than to say I wish I would've wore a helmet.....”

These are words from someone who has been in that situation. I was in an accident to where my helmet was cracked. The helmet had saved my life, and made me realize the importance of wearing a helmet and protective gear.

Practice: FUN * SAFETY * KNOWLEDGE



THIS IS HALF
OF RIDER
EDUCATION ?

TECHNICAL ADVISOR

I'm very pleased to serve this year as the chapters' technical advisor. I will do my best to fill the position!

I'm sure we all read the article in Wing World about proper tire pressure. I think this is important enough to mention again, especially since we only have two (I know, trikes have 3) and a tire failure can be, well a bad thing. It is very important to check your pressures regularly even though it can be a pain to check the rear tire. Low pressure can lead to a tire that badly overheats and can fail. I'm sure we all remember the reports of the problems the Ford Explorer was having with its tires. A lot of research has shown Fords recommended tire pressure was too low and this led to overheating of the tire and tread separation. I'd rather this didn't happen on my bike! I will say that in my line of work, a majority of the vehicles I work on in my shop all have low tire pressure and some of my customer actually have no idea on how to check. I highly recommend everyone keeps a tire pressure gauge in their bike and check it regularly and when traveling long distance, check your pressures occasionally when stopped for fuel or even before leaving the next day. Look at the tires sidewall for the maximum recommended tire pressure and when having your tires replaced, always replace the valve stems.

Bill Leverette



Calendar of Events

March

- 8 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 12-14 Florida District Rally, Kissimmee, FL
- 14 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 26-28 Alabama Dist. Rally, Pelham, AL

April

- 11 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 23-25 Tennessee District Rally, Pigeon Forge
- 30-May 2 SC District Rally, Myrtle Beach

May

- 9 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 22-25 Memorial Day Git-A-Way
Lookout Mountain/Chattanooga West
KOA Deb Franks 864.246.0767
- 22-26 "Ride to the Wall", Washington, DC
Carl Hallman 864.254.9465

June

- 1-6 Americade
- 11-13 Georgia District Rally, Hiawassee, GA
- 13 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering

July

- 2-5 Wing Ding, Tulsa, OK
- 11 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering

August

- 8 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering

September

- 10-12 Region "A" IRally, Dothan, AL
- 12 Chapter "E" Monthly Gathering
- 24-26 Wings Over the Smokies, Fletcher, NC



Some of the gang at Grandma's Kitchen Feb. 7 at Myrtle Beach.



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Friendship Dinner Hosts for March

- 3 Larry & Sandra Kelly
- 10 Steve & Connie Lavigne
- 17 Tom & Ann McIlroy
- 24 Randall & Deborah Niles
- 31 Carolyn Richardson



- 1 Tom McIlroy
- 11 Robert Spooner
- 15 Mike Bouvier
- 26 Chris Hall
- 29 Elaine Bouvier
- 29 Preston Holder

March



- 12 Tom & Ann McIlroy
- 20 Steve & Connie Lavigne
- 25 Mark & Lori Mixon



2002 GL 1800 Gold Wing Motorcycle. Yellow, 42,000 miles. CB radio- Passenger arm-rests, pin stripping \$11,500 neg. Jim Cobb 864.338.8877 H 864.328.6006 C

Gerbing Heated Suit (Pants, Jacket & socks) Ladies Size Small ,Worn very little \$250.00 Jim Cobb 864.338.8877 Home 864.328.6006.Cell

New take off parts from a Silver 2008 Gold Wing Trike conversion, Saddle bags, trim, swing arm, etc. All except rear tire and wheel. FREE to a good home.
Art Loran 864.576.6045

Carl Hallman's friend Tony has a 2008 Gold Wing for sale. It's white with navigation system, 2K mile for \$18000 864.329.9869 (c) 864.616.9954 (h)

February Gathering Gab

- Project Gift Donation**.....Tom & Ann McIlroy
- Project Gift Winner**.....Frank Wells
- Monkey Shine Award**.....Daryl Shenlund —————>
- Helping Hand Award**.....Charles Coleman
- Recruiter Award**.....Charles Coleman
- Chapter Pride**.....Joyce Spooner
- 50/25/25**.....Steve Lavigne / Linda Johnson
- High Mileage**.....Jerry Hill (2500)

